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Post welcomes new garrison CSM



Photo by Nichole Riley

Command Sgt. Maj. Ronald D. Friday, Fort Jackson garrison command sergeant major prepares to pass the garrison colors to Col. Eddie Stephens, Fort Jackson garrison commander, left, during a Change of Responsibility ceremony held Friday at the MG Robert B. Solomon Center. Friday, who is retiring after more than 27 years of service, is relinquishing responsibility to Command Sgt. Maj. Lewis J. Kellam, facing Friday.

NSPS around the corner

Chris Rasmussen
Leader Staff

Some Fort Jackson civilian employees will transition to the new National Security Personnel System in April.

The Defense Department announced last week it will implement Spiral 1.3 of the NSPS during March and April, transitioning some 37,000 non-bargaining unit employees throughout the federal system. At Fort Jackson, 130 non-bargaining employees from garrison will transition to the new pay system on April 15.

"Conversion to the National Security Personnel System is a huge step, not just for our dedicated DA civilians, but for our entire

Army in transformation," said Col. Eddie Stephens, Fort Jackson Garrison Commander.

"Our in-place transition team is working with the IMCOM staff to ensure the process moves smoothly forward — first for the 130 or so non-bargaining unit employees, and in the future for the rest of our garrison staff," he said. "I believe this initiative will lead to a higher performing workforce that is better developed and trained in the future."

Included in Spiral 1.3 are about 11,000 members of the Installation Management Command workforce worldwide. NSPS is a new, performance-based civilian personnel system. It

is being implemented in phases, or spirals, that began with the successful conversion of Spiral 1.1 in April 2006. Spiral 1.2 started transitioning in October and will continue through February.

"NSPS will give us the tools we need to hire, empower and reward our top-performing civilian pentathletes while preserving the employee protections and benefits that federal workers have long enjoyed," said Brig. Gen. John A. Macdonald, IMCOM deputy commanding general.

Fort Jackson town hall meetings regarding the NSPS transition are slated for 9 to 11:30 a.m.

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Long-awaited range nears fruition

Chris Rasmussen
Leader Staff

A new Mounted Combat Patrol Live Fire course is being constructed out of the sandy soil and pine trees that occupy the far eastern portion of Fort Jackson.

The range, which would eventually replace Anzio Range Convoy Live Fire, will offer the capacity to train two company-sized platoons on a 4.3-mile course located near the former Camden Range.

Initial roadwork has been completed, target areas have been laid out and targets are waiting in storage. Range Control is waiting for funding to top the roads with rocks and clay.

"This is going to be totally different than Anzio," said James Wyatt, Range Control chief. "There will be moving targets, Soldiers will be able to fire simultaneously from both sides of the truck. We are trying to simulate what they are going to deal with in the war zone. This is a big undertaking. It is not a small effort."

The project, which was approved in 2005 by then Fort Jackson Commanding General Brig. Gen. Abraham Turner, follows a convoy operation design created by the Army Corps of Engineers. Funding for the new course, however, was deferred to 2007 because of Base Realignment and Closure priorities.

"We're ready to go. We just need a little money to finish the roads and berms," Wyatt said. "While

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Photo by Chris Rasmussen

James Wyatt, Fort Jackson Range Control chief, looks at an aerial photograph showing the new Mounted Combat Patrol Live Fire course being built in the far eastern portion of the installation.

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Inspired Soldier

Fort Jackson drill sergeant inspired by American Soldiers of his youth.

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Welcome to the Army!

First-day Basic Combat Training Soldiers engage Confidence Course.

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Ask the Garrison Commander

Promotability; Lodging Internet



Col. Eddie Stephens Jr.

Q While reviewing my enlisted record brief, I noticed that I have 350 promotion points. Does this mean I am now promotable?

A Yes. However, to obtain more than 350 promotion points you must appear before a promotion board.

Q I appreciate the high-speed Internet access in my lodging room, however, I had a problem accessing the Internet.

I called technical support, and got the “royal run around.” What’s the point of having it if I can’t use the service or get help when I need it?

A High-speed Internet was installed in the hotels in the latter part of 2005. There were “bugs” in the system initially. You now have in your room step-by-step connection instructions and a client identification number which speeds up support when technical support is called.

Garrison Fact of the Week

Smart Testing is the process where biochemical testing is conducted in such a manner that it is not predictable to the testing population.

Commanders must educate their Soldiers, fully embrace the tenets of “Smart Testing” by conducting aggressive and unpredictable urinalysis, and take appropriate administrative and punitive measures against identified drug abusers.

To submit questions for the “Ask the Garrison Commander”, call 751-2842, or e-mail nahrwolds@jackson.army.mil.

Single-parent Soldiers

Prepared means having a plan

Sgt. 1st Class Jennifer Espenshade
Guest Columnist

Being a single parent in today’s Army is becoming increasingly difficult. With the current operational tempo, increased back-to-back deployments and the “do more with less” attitude, juggling Soldier duties and home life can be overwhelming. It is imperative that we take certain steps to prepare our children for surviving their personal war at home.

When I was a 21-year-old specialist stationed in the Republic of Panama, I found myself preparing my first Family Care Plan. The year was 1993 and being in Panama, considered forward deployed, I knew that a long-term deployment was not a likely scenario. I was lucky to be in an area where our unit usually had us returned to home station within 30 days of an exercise or mission. I had a live-in maid, whom I paid monthly for child care what the average stateside E-4 pays per week. This luxury is no longer available in 2007.

I consider myself to be one of the very fortunate — one of the few who has not yet received the call to deployment. I have and continue to, however, prepare myself and my only child for this day.

While serving on drill sergeant status from 2001-2003, I was placed in a situation where my preparations were put to the test. Drill sergeants are required to be at work in the early morning hours and stay until late at night on many occasions. Thus my 9-year-old son was now required to wake up by himself, get dressed, brush his teeth, get to the bus stop etc. My young boy, who had been developed to be an independent and responsible child, met and exceeded my expectations.



Espenshade

provisions to help these great Americans who will watch the children of a service member will offer assurance of a less complicated road during the absence. It makes a parent feel so proud when so many families who are not relatives offer to take your child whenever necessary.

As single parents in the military, we have what I believe to be the implied task of raising the most well-adjusted, independent and open-minded children that we possibly can. We must also have a heightened sense of fiscal responsibility; managing finances on a single income — especially with the cost of childcare nowadays — is not an easy task.

Whether we like it or not, as single parents, the day is going to come that we need help with our children. Be it having to attend a service school, deployment, staff duty or even extended duty hours, it will happen. Neglect of our duties or responsibilities is not an option, foster strong children and always have a viable plan!

Editor’s Note: Sgt. 1st Class Jennifer Espenshade is assigned to Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 2nd Combat Aviation Brigade, Camp Humphries, Korea.

Correction

The Feb. 1 issue, on page 11, Chief Warrant Officer David Hale was misidentified as retiring in 2007. Hale is planning to retire in 2008.

On page 19, Sgt. 1st Class Bryan Bearor was misidentified at the Equal Employment Opportunity Advisor of the Year. The actual award is the Equal Opportunity Advisor of the Year.

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Fort Jackson designated an Important Bird Area

Kristen Marquez
Leader Staff

Audubon South Carolina recently designated Fort Jackson as an Important Bird Area, an accomplishment that seals its place among the 41 statewide locations designated as a safe haven for birds.

Fort Jackson also joins 17 other Army installations deemed an Important Bird Area, which is a site that holds either a large concentration or an exceptional diversity of birds, contains rare or endangered species or has a unique or threatened habitat.

"This designation helps unite people, communities and organizations in proactive bird conservation, one place at a time," said Doug Morrow, Fort Jackson Wildlife Branch chief. "It just reemphasizes the success that not only (the Department of Defense) but the Army in particular has had in stewardship responsibilities and natural resources conservation, while at the same time successfully accomplishing these missions on this landscape."

Fort Jackson's nomination came from John Cely, a retired biologist for the South Carolina Department of

Natural Resources.

"This is a voluntary program," Morrow said. "It comes with no regulatory or legal requirements. It comes with no conservation requirements. This doesn't mean that we now have to do more surveys for birds, or we have to protect more lands. There are no legal or management requirements tied to this designation."

Fort Jackson was selected as an Important Bird Area because it met three out of five nominating criteria, based on habitat and species here: endangered or threatened species, watch list species and species that assemble here because of a representative, rare or threatened habitat type.

Fort Jackson's longleaf pine ecosystem and its ideal habitat for the red-cockaded woodpecker, a threatened species, contributed to this designation. Morrow said the other IBAs in South Carolina are specifically for wildlife management and resources, which also contributes to the significance of Fort Jackson receiving the designation.

"We're all mission-focused here, and the reason we're here is to allow the Soldiers to be trained on Fort Jackson,

but we've got stewardship responsibilities with all these resources, from fence line to fence line," he said. "This is just another point to make it obvious that the Army is doing a good job in its stewardship responsibilities and it's doing the right things when it comes to conserving natural resources here on Fort Jackson, and at the same time getting our mission accomplished."

The designation as an IBA does not mean Fort Jackson will provide a public bird-watching access area. Morrow said he expects inquiries to increase, but the Fort Jackson community does not need to worry about an abundance of birdwatchers coming to the installation.

"This brings attention to the birding community," Morrow said. "There are a tremendous number of bird-watchers all over North America. Even here in the midlands of South Carolina it is a very popular hobby, more popular than most people realize. It now provides recognition and sheds light on the fact that we're here and there's some unique features about Fort Jackson that allowed us to receive this designation."

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and 1:30 to 4 p.m., March 1 at the Naval Reserve Center. Garrison employees converting in April are required to attend one of the sessions.

"We are getting ready for the transition and preparing the workforce," said Emma Billue, Civilian Personnel Advisory Center chief. "We are doing a lot of training of managers and affected employees."

In the NSPS, civilians are placed in one of four career groups: Scientific and Engineering; Investigative and Protective Services; Medical; and Standard. Of the DoD workforce, 76 percent fit the Standard career group. Within these four career groups, individuals are assigned to a pay schedule according to their occupational code. Pay schedules vary within career groups. However, typically there are four.

The typical pay schedule is composed of three pay bands: Entry Level, Full Performance and Expert. Most employees will spend all or most of their careers in the Full Performance Band - Pay band 2 of the Standard Career Group.

Pay will be adjusted through base increases and bonuses that result from meeting or exceeding performance objectives. Pay and bonuses are parceled out

from a pay pool, overseen by a central manager who validates annual performance appraisals and is responsible for ensuring that the pay pool is fairly and equitably managed.

The pay pool is built on an appraisal system that rates employees from a high of five to a low of one, with most employees getting the middle ranking of three, called "valued employee." This will be a major culture change from the current rating system, which is inflated to the point that anything less than the top rating is considered failure.

Human Resource experts say communication between supervisors and employees is especially important under NSPS because performance objectives are broader and more mission focused under NSPS than the task-oriented objectives of the outgoing Total Army Performance Evaluation System, or TAPES.

Under NSPS, performance objectives will be written in the SMART format, meaning they are Specific, Measurable, Aligned (with the mission), Realistic/Relevant and Timed.

Training is vital leading up to the conversion, especially in managing pay pools and writing SMART performance objectives, officials say.

"We are working with the regions and garrisons to make sure everyone gets the training they need during the transition time," said Steve Fluegeman, IMCOM NSPS Transition Team manager. "The NSPS 101 course online is an excellent primer and it's the first mandatory training for everyone converting."



Employees converting in Spiral 1.3 include managers' supervisors, and non-bargaining unit employees from the General Schedule, General Manager, Alternative Personnel Systems and Acquisition Demo pay schedules. Bargaining unit employees will not con-

vert until litigation concerning collective bargaining agreements are resolved. Federal Wage System employees also are not converting in this round.

To date, 77,000 non-bargaining unit DoD civilians, including 13,000 from the Army, have converted to NSPS with no loss of pay. In fact, some 80 percent have gotten pay increases resulting from time accrued toward their next within-grade increase under the general schedule.

"This will be a very positive change that will appropriately reward our employees," Macdonald said. "NSPS will enable us to align our employees' performance objectives with our mission of providing top services to Soldiers and their families."

NSPS is a DoD program that has been in development since 2004. The NSPS Web site has a wealth of information, including printable brochures, frequently asked questions, periodic bulletins and the NSPS 101 training that is required for all converting employees and recommended for everyone else. The NSPS Web site is www.cpol.army.mil/library/general/nsps.

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Around Post

Special Forces Recruitment Brief

The U.S. Army Special Forces will hold recruitment briefings at noon, Tuesday through Thursday at the Fort Jackson NCO Club Liberty Lounge. Soldiers in all military occupational specialties who are active-duty regular Army may apply. For more information, call (910) 432-1818 or visit online at www.bragg.army.mil/specialforces/index.htm

Black History Month Luncheon

There will be a luncheon from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., Feb. 20 at the MG Robert B. Solomon Center to celebrate Black History Month. Tickets cost \$8, and can be purchased from unit equal opportunity representatives or the brigade equal opportunity advisors.

Brigade Reflagging Set

Victory Brigade will hold a reflagging ceremony at 8 a.m., March 16 at Darby Field. The brigade's new designation will be the 171st Infantry Brigade.

2007 Post Guides Ready for Pickup

The Fort Jackson 2007 Post Guides and Phone Directory have arrived and are ready for pick-up at the Public Affairs Office, 4394 Strom Thurmond Blvd. Call 751-1742/3615 to schedule a time for large unit pick-up or for more information.

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Some post streetlights now on timers, more planned

Chris Rasmussen
Leader Staff

Waiting several minutes for a traffic light to change can be very frustrating for motorists, causing headaches and leading to vehicle congestion.

Motorists traveling on Fort Jackson, however, may have noticed that traffic lights on side streets along Strom Thurmond Boulevard that once took forever to change are now switching moments after they reach the intersection.

Traffic lights on the installation are being upgraded with new traffic control detection loops.

The loops detect whenever vehicles approach the traffic light from a side street. The light then changes within a pre-set 15- to 20-second time interval, said to Steve Connell, a Directorate of Logistics and Engineering traffic engineer.

"This allows the traffic light to stay green longer in the more heavily traveled direction and thus traffic flow moves much more smoothly," he said.

Traffic detection loops have recently been installed on Strom Thurmond Boulevard at the major intersections of Magruder and Marion avenues and Jackson Boulevard.



Photo by Chris Rasmussen

A motorist prepares to drive after a brief wait at the intersection of Strom Thurmond and Jackson boulevards thanks to the traffic signal timers recently installed at several Fort Jackson intersection.

"This move is being made to improve traffic flow on the installation," Connell said. "Traffic flow will most notably be improved on family days and on the installation's major arteries."

The new system, Connell said, will also be helpful to those traveling on the installation late at night when there is not much traffic coming down Strom Thurmond

Boulevard, yet the traffic lights still take a long time to change.

Additional traffic detection loops are being designed for installation on Lee Road, Hill Street and Semmes Road. The upgrades for these streets are expected to be in place within two to three months, Connell said.

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Photo by Chris Rasmussen

James Wyatt, Fort Jackson Range Control chief, inspects target boxes that will be installed at a new Mounted Combat Patrol Live Fire course currently under construction.

waiting for the money to finish it, we will continue to put up safety gates and complete other work."

Range Control crews will begin construction Feb. 15 on the course's After Action Review Site, a staging area with ammo points and water pods where the convoys will start and finish. The site is located along Fire Break 39 between Johnson Rifle and Dixie roads.

The area has the capacity to hold 14 convoy vehicles. Seven convoy vehicles at a time would proceed onto the course, which would include a lead command High Mobility Multipurpose Wheeled Vehicle (HMMWV), four gun trucks, an ambulance and a follow HMMWV equipped with a Squad Automatic Weapon (SAW). The course goes down the firebreak, jogs along another firebreak until coming out on Dixie Road near Remagen Hand Grenade Range. The convoy would then travel down Dixie Road, turn south down another firebreak before entering the live fire

portion of the course between the Forward Aid Station and Omaha Beach Range.

The live fire portion of the course is 2.1 miles and includes six infantry and tank target areas spread across its length. Targets are remote controlled and pop up as the convoys pass.

"As the lead vehicle approaches, they would raise the targets. Once the convoy passes, a sergeant in the SAW vehicle would lower them," Wyatt said.

Soldiers on the passenger side of the vehicle fire at the first target area, and the second is for those on the driver's side. Passenger side Soldiers would fire on the third target area and both sides would open fire at the fourth target area.

"You get two-sided shooting, which is pretty good," Wyatt said. "It will be like a little Iraqi village on each side."

Soldiers on the driver's side will fire on the fifth target, with the sixth target being an ambush. A mock Improvised Explosive Device will detonate and Soldiers will dismount their trucks to take cover and fire on targets.

Troops will traverse the course three times — a dry run, a blank run and a live-fire run. Wyatt said he expects the course to take about 30 minutes to complete during the live-fire run.

The former Camden Range was closed in 1973. It was built during the Vietnam War era to train infantry Soldiers. When laying out the roads for the new MCP Live Fire course, crews completed sub-surface ground clearing to ensure there was no unexploded ordnance in the area. Wyatt said two previously unmapped World War II ranges — a machine gun and tank — were discovered as well as old ordnance.

Anzio Range Convoy Live Fire will be kept open for the Drill Sergeant School and Advanced Individual Training Soldiers.

"It could be another nine months before we receive the final funding from (Training and Doctrine Command) but we are ready to go," Wyatt said. "We don't have an official name for it yet, but I am sure there will be some sort of competition for it."

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Triple Nickles ‘parachute’ into Fort Jackson

Kristen Marquez
Leader Staff

Members of North Carolina's Fayetteville-Fort Bragg Chapter of the 555th Parachute Infantry Association visited Fort Jackson for an annual luncheon honoring Black History Month on Saturday.

Afterward, the group, more commonly known as the Triple Nickle Association, set up a display at the Fort Jackson Post Exchange with videos and historical information.

“The 165th (Infantry Brigade) has had the privilege of doing the commanding general's Black History Month celebration,” said Col. Kenneth Strickland, 165th Inf. Bde. commander. “One of the historic or traditional aspects is that the Triple Nickles, an African-American unit with some pretty robust history behind it, come here to spend the weekend and are sponsored in the dining facility and the (1st Battalion, 34th Infantry Regiment) here have been doing that for quite a while.”

The lunch was served in the dining facility of the 1st Bn., 34th Inf. Reg. This is the fifth annual trip the association has made to Fort Jackson for the lunch and display. Members of the Marlboro High School Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps were invited to dine with them and get an idea of the impact the Triple Nickles had on the military.

“The key to these guys is they were the pioneers,” said Lt. Col. Kenneth Royalty, 1st Bn., 34th Inf. Reg. commander. “They

were the first black airborne ... They broke the code.”

The Triple Nickle Association has 26 chapters across the country, said Brady Henderson, recruiter for the Fayetteville-Fort Bragg chapter. He said this chapter is the largest in the country with 148 members. They plan community service activities and award scholarships to students headed to college. They also set up historical displays at schools, military facilities, hospitals and churches.

“I'm very proud to be a part of this. It's really nice to come down here and see the new recruits and see how things have changed in the military,” said Walter Faison, Triple Nickle Association member who served for 30 years in the Army. Faison has been involved with the association for about 10 years.

Samuel Council, an original member of the 555th, had more than 200 jumps in his Army career. He said traveling to Fort Jackson means a lot to him to see people helping preserve the legacy of the Triple Nickles.

The 555th traces its roots to the winter of 1943, when Headquarters, Army Ground Forces, authorized the activation of an all-black unit with officers and enlisted men. The unit had been constituted in February of 1943 and was officially activated Dec. 30, 1943, at Fort Benning, Ga. After several months of training, they moved to Camp Mackall, N.C., reorganized and were redesignated as Company A, 555th.



Photo by Kristen Marquez

Members of the Fayetteville-Fort Bragg Chapter of the 555th Parachute Infantry Association, also known as the Triple Nickle Association, visited Fort Jackson for an annual luncheon honoring Black History Month on Saturday.

The Triple Nickles did not get to serve overseas in World War II, but were sent instead to the West coast to combat forest fires. They fought fires throughout the Pacific Northwest during summer and fall of 1945, which earned them the nickname “Smoke Jumpers” to go along with their “Triple Nickle” nickname.

The Triple Nickles were transferred to Fort Bragg, N.C., in the fall of 1945 and stayed there for two years, until the battalion was redesignated in December 1947. Some members of the original Triple Nickles went on to jump in the Korean War.

Mae Hopkins, dining facility manager, summed up the day by saying what an honor it was for her staff to serve the Triple Nickles.

“It's important to me because of what the Triple Nickles contributed to world peace,” she said. “It's an honor because every time they come, they are always bringing the young adults with them, someone who is going to follow in their footsteps. They are making an impression on these young minds. They are such wonderful people to serve.”

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VA hard drive missing in Alabama

Department of Veterans Affairs

WASHINGTON, Feb. 5 — The Department of Veterans Affairs announced last week that an employee reported a government-owned, portable hard drive used by the employee at a department facility in Birmingham, Ala. — and potentially containing personal information about some veterans — is missing and may have been stolen.

“I am concerned about this report,” said Jim Nicholson, Secretary of Veterans Affairs. “VA's Office of Inspector General and the FBI are conducting a thorough investigation into this incident. VA's Office of Information and Technology is conducting a separate review. We intend to get to the bottom of this, and we will take aggressive steps to protect and assist anyone whose information may have been involved.”

The Birmingham VA Medical Center employee reported that an external hard drive was missing Jan. 22. The hard drive was used to back up information contained on the employee's office computer, and may have contained data from research projects the employee was involved in. The employee also indicated the hard drive may have contained personal identifying information on some veterans, but asserts that portions of the data were protected. Investigators are still working to determine the scope of the information potentially involved.

Upon notification that the hard drive was missing Jan. 23, the VA's OIG opened a criminal inves-

tigation, sent special agents to the medical center and notified the FBI. VA's Office of Information and Technology in Washington, D.C., also dispatched an incident-response team to investigate.

The OIG has seized the employee's work computer and is in the process of analyzing its contents. VA IT staff is providing technical support in this effort. Analyzing the work computer may help investigators determine the nature of the information the hard drive potentially contained.

Pending results of the investigation, VA is prepared to send individual notifications and provide one year of free credit monitoring to those whose information proves compromised.

In addition to the ongoing criminal investigation, the OIG has initiated an administrative investigation to determine how such an incident could occur. VA will provide further updates as the investigation produces additional information.

“VA is unwavering in our resolve to be the leader in protecting personal information, and training and educating our employees in best practices in cyber and information security,” said Nicholson. “We have made considerable progress, but establishing a culture that always puts the safekeeping of veterans' personal information first is no easy task. I have committed VA to achieving such reform — and we will. This unfortunate incident will not deter our efforts, but it underscores the complexity of the task we have undertaken.”

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Well-Being Corner

School buses; shoppette gas, air pumps

Tanya Brown
AFAP Coordinator

This week's article focuses on school buses to and from on-post schools and the gas and air pumps at Gates 1 and 2 shoppettes. The responses are from the Directorate of Logistics and Engineering and the Army and Air Force Exchange Services.

The first issue, raised by several community members, is that Fort Jackson should provide school buses to transport children on the installation to and from the Pierce Terrace, C. C. Pinckney and Hood Street elementary schools. This issue was submitted last year and was presented to the Well Being Action Council in the fiscal year 2006 second quarter. It was voted for forwarding to the commanding general. The commanding general agreed with the issue and forwarded it to the U.S. Army Training and Doctrine Command Army Family Action Plan forum.

After being reviewed during the TRADOC AFAP, it was deemed a local issue and returned to Fort Jackson stating "... in accordance with DoD (Department of Defense) and Army regulations, the walking distance between residence and school or between residence and school bus stop shall be established for dependent children by local school authorities. Garrison commander should work with local school district to resolve this issue."

The local school districts were contacted. The general district ruling is that a student will only be able to ride a district bus if they live more than 1.5 miles from the school. This is not the case for all students on Fort Jackson.

The districts were asked about "loaning" Fort Jackson a school bus, but they could not because they would be using their buses at the same time that we would need them. In addition, there are more than 500 dependent children attending the DoD schools on Fort Jackson and one bus would not be enough. Fort Jackson would need 12 40-passenger buses to pick up and drop off Fort Jackson children in a timely manner. Hood Street Elementary School will close the end of this school year, which was the furthest distance that children were required to walk. After a great deal of discussion, this issue has been deemed unattainable by the WBAC and moved to the Unattainable List.

The next issue refers to the gas and air pumps at Gates 1 and

2 shoppettes. Community FIRST/AFAP has received several issues about the air pumps being out of service and the gas pumps not able to print receipts for customers. The AAFES general manager said the reason the air pumps are continually out of service is that they are constantly vandalized. The hoses are cut and stolen, therefore disabling the air pumps. The cost to continually replace the hoses is beginning to exceed the cost of generally maintaining the air pumps. AAFES will try to maintain the air pumps in a serviceable order but asks that its customers remain vigilant and report any suspicious activity to shoppette managers. As for the gas pump receipts, the pumps are extremely old and once the mechanism that feeds the receipt breaks, it can rarely be fixed. Some of the parts are no longer manufactured. Replacement of the dispensers would be a capitol improvement project which is currently submitted. Customers are asked to go inside the shoppette if they would like a record of the transaction.

It is the Community FIRST/AFAP intent to keep the Fort Jackson community aware of the responses to issues submitted each quarter. The issues in this article should have answered two of the most common issues submitted to Community FIRST/AFAP.

As a reminder, the AFAP Conference scheduled for March 29 is an opportunity to get involved in the Community FIRST/AFAP process and bring issues and concerns forward to the commanding general. We are still seeking volunteers to be a part of the AFAP Conference as delegates or as staff to assist with facilitating the conference. If interested, call 751-3425/5547.

Help us by submitting issues and recommendations online at <http://www.jackson.army.mil/WellBeing/wellbeing.htm>. Click on "Submit an Issue or Recommendation" or click on the AFAP Logo to submit an issue.

ICE Appreciation

The garrison would like to congratulate Moncrief Army Community Hospital, specifically the Preventive Medicine Services Office. They have maintained a perfect 5.0 percent rating in employee/staff attitude out of a possible 5.0, for a 12-week period. This is an outstanding performance in customer satisfaction. Keep up the good work.

*A tip of the campaign
hat to this week's ...*

Drill Sergeants of the Cycle

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13th Infantry
Regiment



**Staff Sgt.
Eric Marshall**
Company D,
2nd Battalion,
13th Infantry
Regiment



**Sgt.
Henry Rodriguez**
Company F,
2nd Battalion,
13th Infantry
Regiment

Triple Nickles honor Black History Month with PX display



Photo by Kristen Marquez

Eugene Culbert, Triple Nickles Association, Fayetteville-Fort Bragg chapter member, and Syvonne Terry look at the display set up Saturday at Fort Jackson Post Exchange. The Triple Nickles set up a video display and historical information about the legacy of the 555th Parachute Infantry Battalion.

Inspired by American Soldiers as a child, Fort Jackson drill sergeant carries on selfless service



Photos by Kristen Marquez

Staff Sgt. Alfred Young, a drill sergeant with Company B, 2nd Battalion, 13th Infantry Regiment, left, stands at parade rest during Basic Combat Training graduation rehearsal Jan. 30 at Hilton Field. Next to him, from left, are: Pvt. Craig Billings, Pfc. Jennifer Camara, Pfc. Ethan Shirk and Pvt. Toni Peterson, graduates of Co. B, 2nd Bn., 13th Inf. Reg.

Kristen Marquez
Leader Staff

A Fort Jackson drill sergeant's lifelong desire to serve and help others was sparked when American Soldiers showed up in the 1980s to help build a new school for him and his classmates in his hometown in Belize.

Staff Sgt. Alfred Young, 2nd Battalion, 13th Infantry Regiment, said growing up in Belize, a small country in Central America bordering Mexico and Guatemala, it was most kids' dream to leave for the United States to join the Army.

"We saw the commercials over there that said 'Be All That You Can Be,'" he said. "For myself, I really wanted to be somebody, and that's what inspired me first. So as soon as I finished high school, I did work in Belize, but as soon as I got the opportunity to come to the states, I went straight to the recruiter."

He joined the Army in 1998 while living in Los Angeles.

Young was born in Los Angeles but moved to Belize when he was six months old. He grew up in Hattieville, Belize, and still has family there.

He checks the news from the country from time to time, and recently saw a headline that read, "U.S. Army to build classrooms in Bz., O.W. districts."

Young said he was surprised and excited to read that his former school in Hattieville was one of four in the area chosen to be rebuilt.

Brig. Gen. Ken Keen, commander of U.S. Army Southern Command, told Belize's Channel 5 news that between March and May 2007, approximately 450 U.S. Army Reserve and National Guard troops will be in Belize at any given time, as part of the Army's New Horizon ongoing humanitarian mission.

They will work with the Belize Defense Forces and the Belize government to construct four, two-room schools and improve some rural roads in the area, Keen said.

Young contacted Keen after he read the article.

"I read the Belize newspaper, and I saw

the article of when they were interviewing General Keen, and they listed a bunch of schools and roads that they are going to fix in Belize," Young said. "So when I looked at that, basically I just e-mailed him to thank him for doing that for Belize, especially the village where I grew up in."

Young believes that as a member of the Army, he is indirectly supporting the work that will improve his hometown.

"I'm not the one really giving it back, but ... I'm part of it, in the way that they are giving back, especially at the school that I went to," he said. "I went down there last September and I looked at it and (thought) 'man, is this where they are teaching?'"

"It's important to me because I grew up in Belize and I believe Belize, like the United States, needs good facilities, especially for students, to better their education," he said. "They can move up and develop themselves and be somebody in the future, instead of just being out there and doing nothing for themselves."

Young was named Drill Sergeant of the Cycle recently for the 2nd Bn., 13th Inf. Reg. He said he was excited about the honor, and felt it was well-deserved because of the production of the Soldiers he had trained.

He said joining the Army was one of the best things he could have done for himself. His wife, Karla, also is from Belize. They have a 10-year-old son, Tyreque, who was born in Belize, and an eight-year old daughter, Tera, born in the U.S.

"Being in the Army, it's a good experience," he said. "I don't have (any) regrets joining the Army, it's been good for me. I joined in November '98, and I was deployed in 2001 to Kosovo and in 2003 I was deployed to Kuwait and Iraq. I've been in a war."

"All the stuff that I did, I look at those locals in Iraq and Kosovo," he said. "It reminds me of back home, but the people of Kosovo and Iraq have it worse. I just love how we liberate and how we free people, especially the people that live in the desert. It's been a good experience for me."

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3rd COSCOM to move to Fort Knox

John Neville
Fort Knox Turret

FORT KNOX, Ky., Feb. 5, — The Army continues moving units in Europe to the United States as part of the ongoing plan to give the nation's fighting force more flexibility to meet future threats.

Beginning this summer, the 3rd Corps Support Command Headquarters based in Wiesbaden, Germany, will begin moving to Fort Knox. The unit will also receive a new name: 3rd Expeditionary Sustainment Command.

The 3rd COSCOM has evolved into the Army's only forward-deployed corps support command. In February 2003, 3rd COSCOM Headquarters deployed in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom and took on the command of more than 17,000

Soldiers, providing logistical support to Combined Joint Task Force 7.

Today, when a Soldier in central Germany drives a vehicle, flies a helicopter, fires a missile or turns on a radio, chances are that 3rd COSCOM men and women have already ensured that the equipment is in working order.

"Our mission is to be able to deploy to a new theatre of operations and provide the logistical support — refueling, ammunition, feeding and maintaining — for the combat forces in that theatre," said 3rd COSCOM Commander Brig. Gen. Michael Lally said. "We are the higher headquarters, so we are command and control for other units that actually go in and provide that sustainment, maintenance or refueling capability."

The word expeditionary is more than just a new moniker. As it transitions from corps support to an expeditionary sustainment command, Lally said the unit will be smaller, more mobile and more ready to deploy, as opposed to being stationary.

Lally and 3rd COSCOM Command Sgt. Maj. Willie Tennant will bring more than 250 Soldiers with them. The two recently visited Fort Knox to scope out facilities and services their and their families will be using.

"I'm looking at the single Soldier quarters, and seeing what plan they have as far as signing for quarters. Does it go through the first sergeant? Does it go through the installation? And, I'm checking out the housing areas, the junior enlisted as well as the senior enlisted," Tennant said. "I'm

also checking out the fitness centers, the PX, the commissary and all the life-support facilities, as well as the headquarters.

"I always tell folks that if you set up a facility for success and you set the conditions for success, then the Soldier will come to work and he'll work hard for you because they're going to a facility that's clean, warm, dry, and all the amenities are there for the accomplishment of their mission," Tennant added.

Tennant, who had never before been to the installation, said he was impressed with what he saw on his first day.

"You take the housing area (Anderson Greens) we were in today; it was awesome," he said. "You would never believe in a million years that was a housing area. It's just not your traditional housing area."

Budget request highlights Army equipment, training, quality of life

Army News Service

WASHINGTON, Feb. 6 — A 3-percent pay raise for servicemembers, an increase in ground forces and continued funding of the war on terror are on the table now that President Bush delivered his fiscal 2008 defense budget request and 2007 emergency supplemental request to Congress yesterday.

The total DoD 2008 budget request is pegged at \$481.4 billion, an 11.3-percent increase over fiscal 2007. The request will improve readiness through additional training and maintenance and by resetting forces following overseas deployments, Defense Secretary Robert M. Gates said yesterday at a Pentagon news conference.

"We will transform our military to meet the new threats of the 21st century and provide the brave men and women on the front lines with resources they need to be successful in this decisive ideological struggle," President Bush said in his letter delivering the budget to Congress.

The President's emergency supplemental request for fiscal 2007 is set at \$93.4 billion, with \$39.3 billion going to warfighting, supplies, support and maintenance. It also provides \$10.4 billion to defeat IEDs.

The requests must be passed by the House of Representatives and the Senate, both of which may make changes in the requests.

Pentagon Comptroller Tina W. Jonas told reporters that DoD has delivered more than 38,000 pages of explanation to members of Congress and their staffs to justify the issues in the defense budget request.

The 2008 "base budget" invests in four primary areas, Jonas said: readiness and support at \$146.5 billion, strategic modernization at \$176.8 billion, military pay and health care at \$137 billion and family housing and facilities

ties at \$21.1 billion.

Jonas broke the military pay and benefits portion of the budget down further. The department's request provides a 3 percent pay raise for 2.1 million active-duty and reserve-component personnel. It provides \$15 billion for the basic allowance for housing and \$4.3 billion for the basic allowance for subsistence. It also provides \$38.7 billion for military health care.

"We will transform our military to meet the new threats of the 21st century ..."

President George W. Bush

Growing the Army

Under the proposal, the active-duty Army will grow to 547,400 Soldiers by the end of fiscal 2012. It now has 484,400 Soldiers. The increase will allow the Army to field 48 brigades — up from 42 — and give Soldiers two years at their home stations for every year deployed.

If the budget is enacted as submitted, the Army will also receive \$130.1 billion in fiscal 2008, for an increase of more than 20 percent.

The Army's Future Combat System will receive \$3.7 billion in research and development funds. Unmanned aerial and ground vehicles, non-line-of-sight launch systems, and command and control systems are highlighted in the program.

The Army is asking for just more than \$24 billion in procurement dollars. About \$4 billion will go toward air-

craft purchases, including 37 armed reconnaissance, 44 light utility helicopters, 42 UH-60 Black Hawk helicopters and 29 CH-47 Chinook helicopters. The remaining funds are earmarked for aircraft modifications to current aircraft inventory.

Another \$3 billion will go toward Army combat and support vehicles, with the largest slice going for 127 Stryker combat vehicles and 180 armored security vehicles. The Army will spend another \$1 billion on weapons and other combat vehicles, including \$97.6 million for nearly 70,000 M-4 carbine rifles and \$35.3 million for more than 8,300 M-249 squad automatic weapons.

More than \$4.6 billion is earmarked for tactical and support vehicles. Communications and electronics equipment rings in at more than \$5.7 billion, and other support equipment tops out at roughly \$2.3 billion.

The budget request highlights the importance of space-based systems for today's military. The request calls for \$6 billion for command and control, navigation, strategic/tactical communications and weather satellites. This includes the next generation NAVSTAR Global Positioning System satellite constellation.

The request also asks for \$2 billion to train and equip Iraqi security forces and \$2.7 billion for Afghan security forces. The request provides \$1.7 billion for coalition support efforts and \$1 billion to replenish the Commander's Emergency Response Program, which allows commanders down to brigade level to fund projects in neighborhoods that benefit the community and put unemployed Iraqis and Afghans to work.

Editor's Note: This article is combined from Armed Forces Press Release stories by Jim Garamone and Fred W. Baker III.

News

Helpful tips when traveling, PCSing with pets

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Fort Jackson Veterinary Services

Summer is just around the corner and many people will be traveling for vacations or for permanent change of station moves. Planning ahead will make taking pets with you much easier.

Pet owners must comply with international animal import regulations or face quarantine or denial of entry to the country. Japan, Hawaii, Guam and England require preparations starting seven months before arrival. European countries are somewhat easier, requiring a minimum of 30 days planning. Some countries do not allow certain breeds of dogs. If your travel plans include these areas, please check with your nearest Army Veterinary Treatment Facility for current information.

European countries, including Italy, Germany and Spain require all cats, dogs and ferrets to have a microchip for identi-

fication. The pets must also have had a rabies vaccination between 30 days and 12 months before entry. Each European country requires an import health certificate in the appropriate language. Your Army Veterinary Treatment Facility will have the microchips and proper forms for your pet, but you must plan ahead. The rabies vaccine must be given more than 30 days before entry or your pet may end up in quarantine or be denied entry to the country.

Guam, Japan, Hawaii and England have stringent import requirements for pets. All of these locations require microchips, blood tests, vac-

cines, and parasite control that must begin up to seven months before arrival. With proper tests and documents, your pets may enter these islands with no quarantine. If anything is not done according to the correct schedule, your cat or dog may spend several months in quarantine at your expense.

All pets traveling by air are required to have a signed health certificate from a veterinarian.

During the summer, some airlines restrict the transport of pets because of the extreme heat. Check with the airline to

make your pet's flight reservation and get their requirements. Your Army veterinarian should be able to help you get the health certificate and give advice on preparing your pet for travel.

Enjoy your vacation or PCS travel with your pet. Be prepared. Even traveling by car takes planning. You must find hotels that take pets, have water available during the trip, not leave a pet unattended in the car and take your pet's rabies certificates with you. So think ahead, ask your veterinarian for advice, and have fun.

Some helpful Web sites:
<http://www.usarj.army.mil/organization/vet/>
<http://www.defra.gov.uk/animalh/quarantine/index.htm>
http://guamcustoms.org/templates/importing_dogs_and_cats.htm
http://www.hawaiiag.org/hdoa/ai_aqs_info.htm



February Promotions

<u>Name</u>	<u>Rank</u>	<u>Unit</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Rank</u>	<u>Unit</u>
Brian Coram	MAJ	Co. B, 3rd Bn., 13th Inf. Reg.	Theodore Johnson III	SFC	Co. B, 2nd Bn., 13th Inf. Reg.
Jason Dockerman	MAJ	4th FA Battlefield	Willie Johnson	SFC	HHC, 120th AG Bn.
Matthew Green	MAJ	157th Inf. Bde.	Armando Luna	SFC	Co. C, 120th AG Bn.
Geraldo Lopez	MAJ	HHC, 187th Ord. Bn.	Jeffery McCummings	SFC	HQ/Co. A, 2nd Bn., 13th Inf. Reg.
Benjamin Riveraotero	MAJ	157th Inf. Bde.	Terrence McDade	SFC	HHC, 187th Ord. Bn.
Jeffery Tierney	MAJ	Co. B, Training Support Bn.	Marion Mellette	SFC	NCO Academy
Carlos Moura	1LT	Co. D, 3rd Bn., 34th Inf. Reg.	Brian Mitchell	SFC	HHC, 187th Ord. Bn.
Deborah McDaniels	SGM	HHC, Training Support Bn.	Felicia Mitchell	SFC	HHC, 187th Ord. Bn.
Gerald Holliday	MSG	NCO Academy	Willie Munford	SFC	HHC, 187th Ord. Bn.
Alford Taylor	MSG	HQ/Co. A, 2nd Bn., 39th Inf. Reg.	Tonya Norman	SFC	Co. D, 187th Ord. Bn.
Katrina White	MSG	HHC, Training Support Bn.	Stephanie Owens	SFC	HHC, Training Support Bn.
Lorenzo White	MSG	Chaplain School	Jamie Price	SFC	HQ/Co A, 2nd Bn., 13th Inf. Reg.
Terrence Batts	SFC	Co. F, 3rd Bn., 60th Inf. Reg.	Jeffrey Ray	SFC	HHC, 187th Ord. Bn.
Nigel Bell-Kirkland	SFC	157th Inf. Bde.	James Robinson	SFC	Co. C, 120th AG Bn.
Justin Benton	SFC	HHC, 187th Ord. Bn.	Osvaldo Rodriguez	SFC	HQ/Co A, 2nd Bn., 39th Inf. Reg.
Erik Bernal	SFC	HQ/Co A, 3rd Bn., 13th Inf. Reg.	Tamara Rushin	SFC	Co. F, 3rd Bn., 13th Inf. Reg.
Oscar Bonilla	SFC	157th Inf. Bde.	Sean Rulless	SFC	Co. D, 1st Bn., 13th Inf. Reg.
Steven Brown	SFC	Co. C, 3rd Bn., 13th Inf. Reg.	Frederick Slape	SFC	HHC, 187th Ord. Bn.
Richard Brumfield	SFC	NCO Academy	David Snyder	SFC	Co. D, 3rd Bn., 60th Inf. Reg.
Jason Buzzard	SFC	HHC, 187th Ord. Bn.	Derrick Solomon	SFC	Co. D, 3rd Bn., 34th Inf. Reg.
Antonio Carr	SFC	Co. D, 1st Bn., 13th Inf. Reg.	Timothy Stange	SFC	Co. B, Victory Support Bn.
Tamekia Carter	SFC	Co. C, 3rd Bn., 13th Inf. Reg.	Eric Taylor	SFC	Co. D, 1st Bn., 34th Inf. Reg.
Chrissy Cooper	SFC	HQ, 193rd Inf. Bde.	Harold Thibodeaux	SFC	Co. B, 120th AG Bn.
David Cunningham	SFC	Co. C, 3rd Bn., 34th Inf. Reg.	Alec Young	SFC	Co. E, 1st Bn., 34th Inf. Reg.
Jesse Deberry	SFC	Co. B, 1st Bn., 13th Inf. Reg.	Michael Cox	SSG	748th EOD
Elena Dickens	SFC	Co. C, 2nd Bn., 39th Inf. Reg.	Mary Jackson	SSG	Co. F, 2nd Bn., 60th Inf. Reg.
Felisha Dodson	SFC	Co. D, 3rd Bn., 60th Inf. Reg.	Mark Leon	SSG	Co. A, Victory Support Bn.
Michael Epperson	SFC	HQ/Co A, 3rd Bn., 60th Inf. Reg.	Sandy Louis	SSG	USA MEDDAC
Delvin Evans	SFC	HQ/Co. A, 369th AG Bn.	Bryan Nelson	SSG	Co. F, 2nd Bn., 60th Inf. Reg.
Jeremy Frazier	SFC	Co. C, 2nd Bn., 60th Inf. Reg.	Steven Roode	SSG	Co. D, 3rd Bn., 13th Inf. Reg.
Stephan Hobbs	SFC	Co. C, 3rd Bn., 13th Inf. Reg.	Keith Walker	SSG	HQ/Co. A, 369th AG Bn.
Douglas Holloway	SFC	HHC, 187th Ord. Bn.	William Webb	SSG	Co. F, 3rd Bn., 60th Inf. Reg.
Steven Hopper	SFC	HQ/Co. A, 2nd Bn., 13th Inf. Reg.	Willard Carpenter	SGT	HQ, 193rd Inf. Bde.
Tresia Huell	SFC	NCO Academy	James Kase	SGT	748th EOD
Gary Jimenez	SFC	Co. D, 2nd Bn., 60th Inf. Reg.	Tierra Taylor	SGT	HHC, 120th AG Bn.

Army seeks recommendations for MCoE patch, crest, motto

Fort Knox Public Affairs Office

Fort Knox, Ky., — The Army is accepting design ideas through March 31 for the shoulder sleeve insignia, distinctive unit insignia and motto for the Maneuver Center of Excellence.

The Infantry and Armor schools will collocate and become the MCOE at Fort Benning, Ga., during the next five years. The center will be responsible for all Army land-based maneuver training development, doctrine and capabilities development for armor and infantry propensities.

“Throughout the history of modern warfare, Infantry and Armor have fought side-by-side as brothers in arms,” said Maj. Gen. Walter Wojdakowski, Chief of Infantry. “With the creation of the Maneuver Center of Excellence, Infantry and Armor will now train together forging an Army Strong partnership which produces America’s best Soldiers, more capable than ever. The selected patch, crest and motto must reflect the historic strength of this partnership and the future strength of our Army.”

Personnel assigned to the infantry and armor schools will continue wearing current shoulder sleeve and distinctive unit insignias that reflect the contributions, sacrifices and spirit of each branch.

Soldiers assigned directly to the MCOE will wear the new insignia.

“The challenge in designing the new insignia will be to capture the historic essence of each branch and their collective embodiment of maneuver as a principle of war,” said Maj. Gen. Robert M. Williams, Chief of Armor. “We’re looking for innovative ideas to capture the significance of both Army and the Infantry lineage.”

Current and retired military personnel and Department of the Army civilians may provide input for just one or all of the items.

Submission guidelines are as follows

A clear, hand-drawn or electronic sketch of the shoulder sleeve insignia, distinctive unit insignia and a short, succinct motto.

The motto must be written in English and is limited to 26 characters (letters and spaces). Individuals may provide a suggestion for just one or two of the desired items if they prefer.

Designs should be drawn on paper or provided as electronic files. Electronic files should be in JPG or BMP format, and may be sent on diskette or CD-ROM via normal mail or as an e-mail attachment.

All submissions must include the name, phone number, e-mail address and mailing address of the individual submitting the designs and motto.

Submissions will be accepted through March 31 and may be sent via e-mail (no larger than 3 megabytes) to: MCOE_Insignia_Suggestions@knox.army.mil

Alternatively, input may be mailed to either:
ARMOR Magazine
ATTN: ATZK-DAS-A (MCOE Patch)
201 6th Ave., Ste. 373
Building 1109A
Fort Knox, KY 40121-5721

Command Historian
6751 Constitution Loop

Suite 214, Room 451, Building 4
Fort Benning, GA 31905

Selection process

Submissions will be screened by the Maneuver Center of Excellence Board of Directors, which is chaired jointly by the Chief of Armor and the Chief of Infantry. The most suitable and acceptable concepts will be considered for forwarding to the Institute of Heraldry for final production of the patch and crest.

Acknowledgement

The individual(s) who submits the shoulder sleeve insignia, distinctive unit insignia, and motto design that is selected by the board of directors will receive a framed final patch, while the top entries in each category will also receive an MCOE coin with certificate of recognition for top entries. These acknowledgements will be issued in the fall of 2008.

Disclaimer: *The Department of the Army (Army) will acquire ownership of all entries, and each submitter agrees that submission of a design constitutes (1) assignment to the Army of any and all rights in the design, including copyright, and (2) a disclaimer of any trademark rights. All entries become the property of the Army, and the Army will have the sole right, at its discretion, to alter or modify any submitted design. By submitting a design, the submitter warrants that the design is original; that it has not been previously published; and that it does not infringe upon the copyright of any other person or entity.*

Commissary scholarship February deadline approaching

Carrie Williams

Defense Commissary Agency

FORT LEE, Va. — While chocolate and flowers are traditional Valentine gifts, perhaps for students the best gift is a \$1,500 scholarship. The Scholarships for Military Children program might be just the ticket this Valentine’s Day, but don’t procrastinate because applications must be turned in at a commissary by close of business Feb. 21.

The scholarships are available to unmarried children under the age of 21 (23 if enrolled in school) of military active-duty, Reserve, Guard and retired personnel. Eligibility will be determined using the Defense Enrollment Eligibility Reporting System database.

Applicants should ensure that they, as well as their sponsor, are enrolled in the DEERS database and have a current ID card.

An applicant must be planning to attend

an accredited college or university full-time in the fall term of 2007, or be enrolled in a program of studies designed to transfer directly into a four-year program.

Scholarship applications are available at 263 commissaries worldwide, or can be downloaded through links at www.commissaries.com, www.dodea.edu or www.militaryscholar.org.

Along with their application, applicants must include an essay on “how and why” they would change an historical event. At least one \$1,500 scholarship will be awarded at every commissary location with qualified applicants.

“Scholarships for Military Children is a wonderful military community program,” said Patrick Nixon, DeCA director and chief executive officer. “Nearly 3,000 scholarships totaling more than \$4 million have been awarded since the first awards were given in 2001.”

Most of the funds are donated by man-

ufacturers, brokers and suppliers who sell groceries in commissaries, and every dollar donated to the program by industry or the general public goes to fund the scholarships. The program is administered by the Fisher House Foundation.

A significant number of scholarships, about 10 percent every year, go to high school students at DoD schools overseas. “Every cent that community organizations can mobilize to support college-bound students is an investment in the future,” said Joseph Tafoya, director of the Department of Defense Education Activity.

“With college costs soaring, our DoD students and their parents appreciate every available scholarship to help defray the cost, and the scholarships enable many of our families to better afford the tuition and provide an incentive for students to work hard,” said Tafoya. “They also demonstrate that military communities are committed to education and increased opportu-

nities for all students.”

The scholarship program has also made inroads to increasing support from the “nonmilitary” community. California high school students sponsoring golf tournaments in 2006 raised thousands of dollars to donate to the program, and already for 2007, a private foundation has made a substantial donation.

“We’re excited to see this worthwhile program gaining recognition and funding from the community at large, said Jim Weiskopf, vice president of communications at Fisher House Foundation. “Commissary industry support has been amazing and increased public support can only help ensure that the Scholarships for Military Children program continues to benefit the military community for many years to come.”

Donations can be made through the link at <http://www.militaryscholar.org>, the official program Web site.

Bright SKIES, TechnoTots for preschoolers

Beverly Metcalfe
Morale, Welfare and Recreation

You know the situation. You’ve just watched The Wiggles with your preschooler for the 10th time this week, sung the Barney song, gone to the park, had a play date with the kid next door, and still your active preschooler is bored ... really bored. Swinging from the chandeliers, make you want to tear your hair out bored.

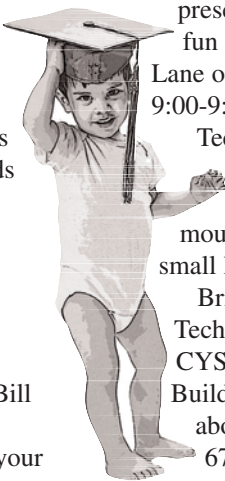
Enter Bright SKIES (Schools of Knowledge, Inspiration, Excellence and Skills) Academy, a new academically-oriented part-day program designed just for preschoolers and the newest addition to the Child and Youth Services SKIES instructional program line-up.

OK, all you stay-at-home moms and dads, was that a giant sigh of relief? Bright SKIES Academy meets 8:30-

11 a.m., each Tuesday and Thursday in one of the CYS Programs on Parker facilities at 5953 Parker Lane.

The academy is designed to expose preschoolers to letters, colors, numbers, shapes and all the other wonderful things a child needs to know before heading off to “big school.” Preschoolers will gain exposure to letters and numbers through not only games and songs, but through hands-on writing experiences, finger plays and cooking experiences.

Or maybe your preschooler is a little more advanced than that and aspires to be the next Bill Gates. How about enrolling your child in TechnoTots, a SKIES class designed to teach your



preschooler how to use a computer in a kid-friendly, fun atmosphere? TechnoTots meets at 5953 Parker Lane on Wednesdays with your choice of time slots, 9:00-9:45 a.m. or 10:00-10:45 a.m.

TechnoTots classes, which begin March 7, will be taught in a classroom designed specifically for preschool computer users with a fun bee-shaped mouse and large brightly colored keyboards made for small hands.

Bright SKIES Academy is \$60 per month and Technotots is \$30 per month. Register children at the CYS Central Enrollment Office in the Joe E. Mann Building, 3392 Magruder Ave. For further information about the academy or TechnoTots, call 751-6777/3053.

Lifeguards

Thinking about summer jobs? Morale, Welfare and Recreation is now training Shallow Water Attendants, Lifeguards and Water Front Lifeguards.

Class fee is \$75 for MWR eligible ID card holders, \$150 for all other patrons (if you work as a lifeguard for MWR you are eligible for a class refund).

The first training class will be held 4:30-9 p.m., Monday

through Feb. 9 at Knight Pool. A complete training schedule is available at Knight Pool. All lifeguards must be at least 15 years old.

New Lifeguard prerequisites:
Shallow Water Attendant (Water Park)

- 50-yard swim with 25 yards of front crawl and 25 yards of breast stroke
- 20-yard swim with surface dive to retrieve a 10-



pound object from depth of 4 feet and exit water (timed event)

Lifeguard (Pools)

- 300-yard swim with 100 yards of front crawl, 100 yards of breaststroke and 100 yards of either front crawl or breast-stroke
- 20-yard swim with surface dive to retrieve a 10-pound object from depth of 7 to 10 feet and exit water

(timed event)

Waterfront lifeguards (Weston Lake)

- 550-yard swim with 200 yards of front crawl, 200 yards of breaststroke and 150 yards of either front crawl or breaststroke
- 20-yard swim with surface dive to retrieve a 10 pound object from depth of 7 to 10 feet and exit water (timed event)
- Swim 5 yards; submerge and retrieve three dive rings placed 5 yards apart in 4-7 feet of water; resurface; swim 5 yards to the side of pool.



Today

The **Dart League** begins at 5:30 p.m. at Magruder's and will be on Thursdays.

Victory Bingo is 4:30-10:30 p.m. at 12500 Huger St. Play for more than \$25,000 in prizes.

Friday

Play **Victory Bingo** and win prizes up to \$15,000. Guaranteed \$50 pay-outs.

Magruder's features DJ Mike Lockaby and DJ Perry playing all the favorites.

Saturday

Every Saturday come out to the **Excalibur Lounge** in the NCO Club and enjoy music at 9 p.m. with the Big DM. Military cost is \$3 and civilian cost is \$5.

Sunday

A **Valentine's Champagne Brunch** will be held from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Officers' Club.

Did you know that it is a guarantee for \$4,000 to be given away during **Victory Bingo** every time it's played? Grab a share, play bingo 12:30-4:30 p.m.

Every Sunday is Super Sunday at **Century Lanes**. Bowl and get shoe rentals for \$1.

Monday

The **NCO Club** presents a **soup and salad bar** features assorted fresh vegetables, a hearty soup, mixed salad and fresh fruit for \$6.50.

Tuesday

The next **EFMP Group Meeting** will be at 6 p.m. at Army Community Service.

There will be a **Partners in Education, Local Action Plan Revision Meeting** from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., at the Officers' Club.

Visit Magruder's for **free movies** — always the latest releases.

The Officers' Club is having a **Southern Style Lunch Buffet** from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Wednesday

Be a singing sensation with **Karaoke** at **Magruder's Sports Bar** starting at 7:30 p.m.

Enjoy **Mongolian Barbecue, Asian Stir-Fry** at the Officers' Club. You don't have to be an officer or a member.

Join the “Beat” 100.1 FM with the sounds of Bobby Brown and the Beat, hosted by Timmy Tim at the **NCO Club** from 9 p.m. to 2 a.m. The bar opens in **Liberty Lounge** at 5 p.m.; cover charge is \$3 for military and \$5 for civilians.

Ongoing Offers

The **NCO Club** presents a delicious **breakfast buffet** 6-9 a.m., weekdays. The cost for adults is \$5.50; the cost for children 4-10 years old is \$2.95.

The **NCO Club lunch buffet** is served from 11 a.m. to 1:15 p.m., daily. The cost is \$6.50, adults, \$2.95, children.

The **NCO Club soup and salad bar** features assorted fresh vegetables, a hearty soup, mixed salad and fresh fruit for \$6.50.

Enjoy resort accommodations for two to six people for less than you would pay for most hotels with the **Armed Forces Vacation Club**. For details and samples of resort availability, call the reservation center at (800) 724-9988.

The **NCO Club caters** to all your needs: dining in, dining out, promotions, breakfasts, meetings, birthdays, weddings, graduation, retirements and any other special occasion.

Did You Know?

Child care fees are based on Total Family Income (not rank or grade). Fees are based on your family's ability to pay a fair share. The Army makes no profit, but funds the difference in what you pay and the actual cost of child care. Slots are available at Scales Avenue Child Development Center, call 752-6225.

Welcome to

First-day Basic Combat Training Soldiers take on Fort Jackson's Confidence Course

Heath Hamacher
Leader Staff

Soldiers arrive at Fort Jackson for Basic Combat Training wearing sweats, jeans and other articles of civilian clothing. A few days later, they find themselves dressed out in the Army Combat Uniform and desert boots, learning how to stand at the position of attention and being introduced to the Confidence Course.

On Jan. 31, the Basic Combat Training Soldiers of Company C, 1st Battalion, 13th Infantry Regiment were thrown — as all new Soldiers are — right into the mix of basic training. Most of their very first training day was spent at the Confidence Course, a 24-obstacle course that Soldiers negotiate in full during their seventh week of training.

On this initial trip, however, the taller, more complicated obstacles are bypassed.

The purpose of the Confidence Course is to give Soldiers confidence in their mental and physical abilities while cultivating their spirit of daring, as well as offering perspective on how their training helps prepare them for combat.

1st Lt. Alexander Carey, Co. C executive officer, said the Soldiers' initial trip to the course is intended to inspire, more than challenge. He said it is a good way to kick off a long training cycle.

"The Soldiers have been sitting at reception for a few days and this gets them out there," he said. "This is a

"Doing the Confidence Course was a good way to start basic training."

Pvt. Matthew Cooke
Basic Combat Training Soldier
Co. C, 1st Bn., 13th Inf. Reg.

motivational event that will demonstrate for them some of the types of obstacles they'll be working to overcome."

The modified course still provides somewhat of a physical challenge, however; one that allows drill sergeants to review their new group of Soldiers and determine things such as physical fitness levels and underlying fears or apprehensions.

"At this point, we haven't had a chance to assess their physical abilities, so this helps prevent injuries from occurring," Carey said. "Later in training, they'll revisit the Confidence Course."

At least one BCT Soldier, Pvt. Matthew Cooke, was excited about getting his new career under way.

"Doing the Confidence Course was a good way to start basic training," Cooke said. "It showed us that we could accomplish things the first day, and it was great to start training right away."

Heath.Hamacher@jackson.army.mil

Pvt. Matthew Cooke, 1st Battalion, 13th Infantry Regiment Basic Combat Training Soldier, traverses the Tarzan obstacle of the Confidence Course while being spotted by two fellow BCT Soldiers on Jan. 31.



Pvt. Christina Dexter, 1st Battalion, 13th Infantry Regiment Basic Combat Training Soldier, completes a low crawl through the Belly Crawl obstacle of the Confidence Course on Jan. 31.



Pfc. Priscilla Smith, 1st Battalion, 13th Infantry Regiment Basic Combat Training Soldier, climbs the Berlin Wall obstacle at the Confidence Course on Jan. 31.

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Photos by Heath Hamacher

Staff Sgt. Alonza Monroe, 1st Battalion, 13th Infantry Regiment drill sergeant, leads his platoon in warm-up exercises before beginning the Confidence Course at Fort Jackson on Jan. 31.



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Basic Combat Training Soldiers from Company C, 1st Battalion, 13th Infantry Regiment, work their way through the Hip Hip obstacle of the Confidence Course on Jan. 31.

Pvt. Jeffrey Cross Jr., a Basic Combat Training Soldier with the 1st Battalion, 13th Infantry Regiment, emerges from the Belly Crawl obstacle while participating in the Confidence Course on Jan. 31.

Ask the MEDDAC commander

Referral process; HPV, cervical cancer connection



Col. James Mundy

Q How are referrals made to the specialty clinic by my Moncrief Army Community Hospital Primary Care Manager, and how can I follow up on my referral?

A Your MACH PCM may make one of two different types of specialty referrals: The first type of referral may be to a MACH specialty clinic made through the PCM's computer. This referral is transmitted to MACH's Referral Management Center. A representative from MACH's Referral Management Center will call within one to two business days to schedule an appointment. If you have questions or did not receive a call from MACH's Referral Management Center within two business days after your PCM visit, please give them a call at 751-2363 between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m.

If MACH's Referral Management Center cannot schedule an appointment within 28 days, then they will automatically forward your referral to TRICARE for authorization to a network provider, which is the second type of referral. Your PCM electronically sends the referral to TRICARE for authorization to see a network provider. Within seven to 10 business days after the initial PCM visit, you should receive a letter of authorization that provides you with the provider's name, telephone number and the number of approved visits. You must schedule your appointment with that provider directly. If you require additional visits after the number authorized, you must return to your PCM for another referral. It is the patient's responsibility to keep track of the number of

authorized visits and the expiration of the referral.

Should you have additional questions pertaining to network referrals, call Humana TRICARE South at (800) 444-5445.

Q Last month, I heard and read a lot about HPV and cervical cancer. What should I know about cervical cancer?

A Cervical cancer is one of the most common cancers affecting a female's reproductive organs. The cervix, part of a woman's reproductive system, is the lower, narrow part of the uterus (womb). The cervix connects the uterus to the vagina, which leads to the outside of the body.

Physicians don't always know why one woman develops cervical cancer and another does not. However, we do know that a woman with certain risk factors may be more likely than others to develop cervical cancer.

Risk Factors include

- Human Papilloma Virus: HPV infection is the main risk factor for cervical cancer. HPV is a group of viruses that can infect the cervix. These viruses can be passed from person to person through sexual contact. Some types of HPV can cause changes to cells in the cervix. These changes can lead to genital warts, cancer and other problems. The "Pap" test can detect cell changes in the cervix caused by HPV. These cell changes can be treated with several methods to include freezing or burning of the infected tissue. Sometimes medicines are prescribed which help.

- Lack of regular scheduled Pap tests, which help doctors find precancerous cells.

- A weakened immune system in women who have HIV or are taking medications that suppress the immune system.

- Cancer of the cervix occurs most often in women over 40.

- Women who have had many sexual partners have a higher than average risk of developing cervical cancer.

- Women with HPV who smoke have a higher risk of cervical cancer than those with HPV who do not smoke.

- Using birth control pills for five or more years may increase the risk of cervical cancer among women with HPV infection.

Women who think they might be at risk for cancer of the cervix should discuss this concern with their health care provider.

Symptoms

Precancerous changes and early cancers of the cervix generally do not cause pain or other symptoms. It is important not to wait to feel pain before seeing your health care provider.

When the disease gets worse, women may notice one or more of these symptoms:

Abnormal vaginal bleeding, increased vaginal discharge, pelvic pain, pain during sexual intercourse, bloating or weight gain.

For further information about cervical cancer, HPV, Pap test and the new HPV vaccine for women, go to www.cancer.gov; or www.womenshealth.gov; or www.cdc.gov or call Army Public Health Nursing at 751-5251.

If you would like to submit a question for Ask the MEDDAC or DENTAC commander, call 751-2338 or e-mail pamela.english@se.amedd.army.mil.

RED is everyone's color on National Red Dress Day

Sandra Norcross, RN, MS Army Public Health Nursing

As part of February's American Heart Month, Army Public Health Nursing at Fort Jackson joined thousands of Americans nationwide in celebrating National Wear Red Day on Friday.

In addition, Moncrief Army Community Hospital will sponsor a "Brown Bag" lunch lecture at noon at the MACH conference room, third floor, Feb. 12.

Linda Hall, a registered nurse and nursing supervisor at The Providence Hospital in Columbia, will be the guest speaker for the "Women & Heart

Disease" Brown Bag lunch presentation. Bring a lunch. R.S.V.P. to Sandra Norcross at 751-5035 by Friday.

National Wear Red Day activities are in partnership with The Heart Truth, a national awareness campaign for women about heart disease sponsored by the National Heart, Lung and Blood Institute, part of the National Institutes of Health, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services.

In February 2003, The Heart Truth introduced the Red Dress as the national symbol for women and heart disease awareness. A simple red dress works as a visual red alert to get the message heard

loud and clear: "heart disease doesn't care what you wear — it's the No. 1 killer of women."

National Wear Red Day is an annual event held the first Friday in February. The first observance, in 2004, was announced at the White House. On National Wear Red Day, women and men across the country wear red to unite in the national movement to give women a personal and urgent wake-up call about their risk of heart disease.

Everyone can participate in this life-saving awareness movement by showing off a favorite red dress, shirt, or tie, or by wearing the Red Dress Pin.

National Wear Red Day is a great opportunity to reach out to women in our community and alert them to their personal risk factors for heart disease. By wearing red and participating in any or all activities in February, we can show our support for women and heart disease awareness.

For more information about National Wear Red Day activities and The Heart Truth, including downloadable materials on women and heart disease and ordering information for the Red Dress Pin, please visit www.hearttruth.gov or call 751-5035 or the NHLBI Health Information Center at (301) 592-8573.

Medical Records

Medical records are the property of the U.S. government and must be turned in at the Medical Records Station upon enrolling at MACH. Call 751-2471 for a copy of records.

New Upgrade at the Pharmacy

The new Pharmacy 2000 automation equipment, which will enhance patient safety and reduce medication errors has arrived and has been installed.

The staff is being trained and patients should expect longer waits and delays during the next 90 days. Your patience is greatly appreciated. For more information

call 751-2259.

Pharmacy

Refill prescriptions online at <http://www.moncrief.amedd.army.mil/>. "Pharmacy Refills Online" is on the right side of the Web page.

The Post Exchange Refill Pharmacy is the only site to pick up refills called in or ordered online.

MEDDAC requires a signed authorization form to be completed before a spouse, family member or friend can pick up someone else's prescriptions.

Main Outpatient Pharmacy: open from 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., weekdays (in the MACH basement).

Refill Pharmacy: open from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m., weekdays (in the Post Exchange Annex).

Main Outpatient Clinic 751-2385

Refill, Voice 751-4609

Refill, Automated 751-2250

Toll-free refill (866) 489-0950

TRICARE Online

Beneficiaries enrolled in TRICARE Prime at MACH can schedule an appointment 24 hours a day, seven days a week at www.tricareonline.com or www.moncrief.amedd.army.mil. For more information call 751-2752.

Community Highlights

This Week

Charlotte-Mecklenburg Seeks Police Officers

The Charlotte-Mecklenburg Police Department will administer the Darany Entry Level Police Officer Examination at 9 a.m., Friday on the second floor of the Army Career Alumni Program building, 4600 Strom Thurmond Blvd.

The session, open to everyone, begins with presentations and allows for a question and answer period. To make an appointment call 751-4109, and for more information call (704) 432-1615 or e-mail dharky@cmpd.org.

Double Dutch Class

Registration for the double dutch (jump roping) class offered by Child and Youth Services ends Friday. The class is for children from 6 to 18 years old, meets 4:30-5:30 p.m., Feb. 15 at the Youth Center and costs \$30. For more information, call 751-5040/5610.

OCSC Shag Dancing Beach Dinner Party

The Fort Jackson Officers' and Civilians' Spouses' Club will host a Shag Dancing Beach Dinner Party 6-9 p.m., Tuesday at the Fort Jackson Officers' Club. R.S.V.P. by 8 p.m., today. Dinner costs \$15, and payment must be received by Friday. For more information, call 234-2120.

Girl Scout Cookies

Fort Jackson Girl Scouts will begin selling cookies Sunday at the post main exchange and commissary. The cookies cost \$3.50 a box. For more information call 736-5875.

Women and Heart Disease

A seminar titled "Women and Heart Disease" will be presented from noon to 1 p.m., Monday at Moncrief Army Community Hospital, third floor staff conference room. The guest speaker is Linda Hall, RN, a nursing supervisor at The Providence Hospital in Columbia.

Child Care Providers Needed

The next Family Child Care training will be held from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday and Feb. 22 at 3392 Magruder Ave. Providers can earn extra income while staying home with their children. This certification program is open to military spouses who live in government quarters and DSS certified off-post individuals.

Call 751-6234 for more information.

Seabee Meetings

The Navy Seabee Veterans of America will meet at 7 p.m., Monday at the West Columbia Metro Chamber of Commerce and Visitors' Center. Call 755-7792 or 755-0300 for more information.

Thrift Shop Customer Appreciation Day

The Thrift Shop will host a Customer Appreciation Day from 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., Tuesday. Light refreshments will be served.

Employment Readiness Program Orientation

Anyone seeking employment on Fort Jackson or in the surrounding area should visit the Employment Readiness Program for information about employment, education and volunteer opportunities.

Topics include job search tips, benefits of using employment agencies, the South Carolina Commission office and more. The next orientation will be from 9 a.m. to noon, Wednesday at the Education Center. For more information call 751-5452.

Retired Sergeants Major Dinner

A retired sergeants major dinner will be held at 7 p.m., Feb. 23 at the Fort Jackson NCO Club. Social begins at 6:30 p.m. The dinner theme is "Surf and Turf" and costs \$11.95 each. R.S.V.P. by Sunday, call 776-9243 or by e-mail billtip@aol.com

Upcoming

Resume/Interviewing Workshops

There will be an interview and resume writing class at 9 a.m., Feb. 21 at the Education Center, Room B205. For more information or to register call 751-5452.

Sponsorship Training

A one-hour class on the Army sponsorship regulation, AR 600-8-8, will be held 2-3 p.m., Feb. 21 and 22. The class is for anyone assigned to sponsor an incoming Soldier. Register by calling 751-4868.

Audie Murphy Induction Ceremony

The Sergeant Audie Murphy Fort Jackson Chapter will have an induction ceremony 2-2:30 p.m., Feb. 23 at the Joe E. Mann Center.

Red Cross CPR, First Aid, AED

A Red Cross Health and Safety class covering CPR, first aid and the Automated Emergency Device will be held from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Feb. 24. Class is open to everyone and registration and payment are

CG chooses Girl Scout cookies



Photo by Nichole Riley

Brig. Gen. James H. Schwitters, Fort Jackson commanding general, meets with Girl Scouts, from left, Ashley Neil, 6, Kristen Mangrum, 9, Kayla Sands, 7, and Mackenzie Reeder, 7, to receive his annual Girl Scout cookies at the Fort Jackson Post Exchange on Friday.

required one week before the class. For more information call 751-4329. ends April 30.

WorkKeys Assessment

The WorkKeys assessment tool is a test that measures "real world" skills many employers believe to be critical to job success. Many companies in South Carolina use WorkKeys as part of their hiring process. Individuals will receive a Job Ready Certification card after completion of the assessment.

ACS Employment Readiness and ACAP will be co-sponsoring monthly testing times from 9 a.m. to noon, Feb. 26. Candidates must preregister by calling 751-5452. The cost of the assessment is \$30. Cash only will be accepted on the day of the testing.

NSPS Town Hall

A National Security Personnel System Town Hall will be held from 9 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. and from 1:30 to 4 p.m., March 1 at the Naval Reserve Center, 2620 Lee Rd. The meetings are open to the entire Fort Jackson workforce; however, all garrison employees projected to transition to NSPS in April are required to attend. For more information, call 751-6379.

AER Campaign Kickoff

The Army Emergency Relief Campaign kickoff will be held at 10 a.m., March 1 at the Joe E. Mann Center. The campaign

Weekly

Civil Air Patrol Meetings

Civil Air Patrol is an official Department of Defense organization aligned under the Air Force with a cadet program for youth ages 12-18 and an adult program as one of America's largest volunteer organizations.

The group meets at 7 p.m., Monday at Owens Field and 7 p.m., Tuesday at Columbia Metropolitan Airport. For more information e-mail cc@scwg.cap.gov or visit www.scwg.cap.gov

HEROS Meeting

The Helping Everyone Reach Optimum Strength group is meeting 5-6:30 p.m., Thursday at Moncrief Army Community Hospital, seventh floor. It is open to combat veterans and their family members. For information call 751-2492/2245.

Medical Board Office Closed

The medical board office is closed from 7:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., Thursday, for administrative time and office training. For more information, call 751-0359/7152/7318.

Gastric Bypass Support Group

The Gastric Bypass Support Group

Community Highlights



**Now playing
at the Dollar
Theater**

Friday

Ice Princess (G) 3 p.m.
Happy N' Ever After (PG) 7 p.m.

Saturday

Primeval (R) 6 p.m.
Alpha Dog (R) 10:30 p.m.

Sunday

Alpha Dog (R) 1 p.m.
Happy N' Ever After (PG) 3:30 p.m.

You can also call 751-7488 or go online to
www.aafes.com for movie schedules.

meets at 6 p.m., the second Tuesday of the month in the MACH eighth floor waiting room. For information call 751-0392. This is not just for weight loss patients; anyone interested is welcomed.

Overseas Travel Clinic

The Overseas Travel Clinic is held from 8:30 a.m. to noon, Wednesday and Friday. For more information call 751-5251.

Military Widows/Widowers Association

The meeting is at 2 p.m., Sunday at Moncrief Army Community Hospital, eighth floor. For information call 787-2469.

Monthly

Rear Detachment Training

Army Community Service Mobilization and Deployment Readiness Program Rear Detachment training is held monthly at Bldg. 2179, Room A-12. RD training is also online at www.myarmylifetoo.com.

Units can schedule an appointment by calling 751-5256/7489 or e-mailing Guillory.Patricia@jackson.army.mil.

Announcements

Elementary School Changes

Fort Jackson on-post elementary schools made changes to the attendance

calendar that affects all students. Tuesday has been changed from a full day to an early dismissal at 11:30 a.m. March 2 has been changed from no school day to a full day. March 30 has been changed from a full day to a no school day.

FRG Sample SOPs Available

Family Readiness Group standard operating procedure samples are available online at www.fortjacksonmwr.com/acs.

Sample SOPs are available for: informal funds, newsletters and group budgets.

For more information e-mail Patricia.Guillory@jackson.army.mil or call 751-7489.

Security Clearance Process Change

Paper copies of the Security Clearance Application (SF86) will not be accepted after Tuesday. The Electronic Personnel Security Questionnaire is being replaced with Electronic Questionnaires for Investigations Processing, or E-Qip. Paper copies of the Questionnaire for Non-Sensitive Position (SF85) for a National Agency Check and written inquiries only will continue to be accepted.

ID Card Section Hours Change

The ID Card section at 5450 Strom Thurmond Blvd. is open from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. weekdays.

Service for retirees, family members and for DEERS verification and enrollment is in room 109. Service for military personnel, civilian employees and contractors is in room 200. For more information call 751-6024.

Adopt-a-School

Adopt-a-School is a program that encourages Soldiers to volunteer in local schools. Units may adopt a specific school or multiple schools, whichever fits into mission time requirements. High performing units will earn awards each quarter. Units may access the Web site at http://fortjacksonmwr.com/school_liason/

For more information call 751-6150 or e-mail ruth.russell@jackson.army.mil

Parenting Groups

Moncrief Army Community Hospital will sponsor "Parenting Adolescents Challenging Change," a 10-week parenting group open to parents of middle

Pick Me ...



Photo by Spc. Bernard Simmons

This neutered, gray, male cat is 3-5 years old and wants a home. Call the vet clinic at 751-7160 for information on adoption.

school and high school students, and "Cooperation and Parenting," a 10-week parenting group open to parents of elementary school students.

Groups are open to all valid ID card-holders. Space is limited. If you want to attend or for more information, call 751-2235/2216.

Anger and Stress Management Groups

Moncrief Army Community Hospital will sponsor a 12-week "Adult Anger Management," group, and a 15-week "Adult Stress Management," group. Groups are open to all valid ID cardholders. Space is limited.

If you want to attend or need more information, call 751-2235/2216.

Recruiting Army Broadcast Specialists

The Army is seeking active duty Soldiers from private to sergeant to reclassify as Public Affairs broadcast specialists, MOS 46R. Potential recruits must have a 107 GT score, secret clearance or interim secret and must be deployable.

In this MOS, Soldiers will learn television, radio, announcing and writing skills. Interested Soldiers will have to take a

... Or Me!



Photo by Spc. Bernard Simmons

This neutered, small male Lab-mix puppy is 3-6 months old and he wants you! Call 751-7160 for information.

voice audition, and can call (703) 325-2578 for information.

Government Leave Transfer Program

There is an urgent need for donated annual leave for employees who continue to be affected by Hurricane Katrina. For more information call 751-6426 or for the form, visit http://www.opm.gov/forms/pdf_fill/opm1638.pdf.

Family Readiness Group Registration

Fort Jackson ACS Family Assistance Center requests Family Readiness Groups at Fort Jackson register with ACS Mobilization and Deployment Program so the information is easily available for spouses and family members. For information call 751-7489 or e-mail Guillory.Patricia@jackson.army.mil.

ACS Offers Free Workshops

Army Community Service offers workshops on numerous topics, including how to find employment, home buying, Army Family Team Building and parenting classes.

Visit the Web site at www.fortjacksonmwr.com/acs to get a complete listing. Register online or call 751-5256.

Cops Corner



The following are selected incidents developed from reports, complaints, incidents or information received from the Fort Jackson Provost Marshal Office.

The incidents reflected are not an adjudication attesting to the guilt or innocence of any person and are provided for informational and reflective purposes only.

Lt. Col. Greg Vibber

Director, Emergency Services/Provost Marshal

Master Sgt. Allen Taylor Jr.

Provost Sergeant

Cases of the Week

A civilian notified the Provost Marshal Office of a **Larceny of Private Funds**. The civilian reported that she placed her purse in the back seat of her vehicle at the Commissary, but noticed that after the bagger unloaded groceries, her checkbook was missing.

Further investigation revealed that a similar incident occurred the day before after the same bagger bagged groceries for a different person and was notified by her bank of a check that was written, of which she had no knowledge. An investigation is continuing.

A Soldier was charged with **Child Neglect** after he left his child unattended for an extended period at a park on the installation. The child was observed playing alone and was secured and brought to

the Provost Marshal Office.

The Soldier was contacted through his chain of command and instructed to report to the PMO. Upon arrival he was advised of his legal rights, processed and released. An investigation is continuing.

The Military Police detected a strong alcohol odor emitting from a driver attempting to enter the installation. The driver was stopped, advised of his legal rights and given a series of Standardized Field Sobriety Tests, which he failed, and then transported to the MP Station.

During a routine search of the vehicle, an open container and a controlled substance was found on the passenger side of the vehicle.

The driver was charged with **Wrongful Possession of Dangerous Drugs** (crack cocaine), **Open Container**, **Expiration of Vehicle Tags**, **Driving with a Suspended License** and **Driving Under the Influence**.

Provost Marshal Tip of the Week

Total prevention of fatigue is impossible, but its effects can be significantly moderated by getting adequate sleep, maintaining good physical fitness and eating habits, moderating the use of alcohol and caffeine, planning and practicing good time management and maintaining good working conditions.

Chapel

Deliverance will come

Chaplain (Capt.) Celestene Robb
2nd Battalion, 13th Infantry Regiment

The Chaplain Corps was established in 1775 to provide pastoral care and religious support to all military personnel, even those with no religious background. However, the military did not open the chaplaincy to women until 1974.

Deliverance for women ministers to become chaplains did come; it just took almost 200 years.

In the book of Jeremiah 29:10-14, the prophet tells the story of the Hebrews being in captivity in Babylon for eight years under the rule of King Nebuchadnezzar. They believed God would deliver them. Hananiah, a false prophet, had given them false hope that their deliverance was imminent.

The Hebrews' excitement was diminished when the prophet Jeremiah exposed the lie and advised them their captivity would last 70 more years. He told them to pray for and bless their oppressors, make them prosperous; their deliverance was coming, but not soon. More suffering and oppression was ahead.

As King David said, "weeping endures for a night, but joy comes in the morning." Jeremiah said that at the appointed time the Hebrews would return to their homeland, Jerusalem. He encouraged them to continue to pray to God because he would answer, and when they sought God with their whole heart, they would indeed find him. God would restore all of their fortunes back to them which they lost when they were captured.

Deliverance was coming, and it did come eventually.

Just as deliverance came for the Hebrews after 430 years in bondage or exile in Babylonian captivity, it came for women ministers to be accepted into the Chaplain Corps after 200 years; it came for slaves after enduring more than 300 years of slavery and oppression. Deliverance also will come for us.

To endure hardness as good Soldiers and receive deliverance requires a steadfast belief that God is concerned about our welfare, regardless of the nature of our oppression, whether physical or psychological.

Forms of oppression include dealing with difficult Soldiers, troubled cadre, financial crises, death of loved ones, marital problems, health crises, false accusations, the uncertainty of military operations, spiritual warfare and the list continues. We will only receive our deliverance, as Job did, when we understand that God determines when it will come.

Much like the case of Cornelius in the book of Acts, we believe that our prayers are going up to heaven as a memorial.

Worship services

Protestant

■ Sunday 8 a.m. and 10:45 a.m. Daniel Circle Chapel (Gospel)
8 a.m. Tank Hill Chapel (Hispanic)
9:00 and 10:30 a.m. Vanguard Chapel
9:30 a.m. Main Post Chapel
10:45 a.m. Post-wide Sunday School (Post Chapel)
11 a.m. Daniel Circle Chapel
11 a.m. Memorial Chapel
11 a.m. Chapel Next
Chaplain School
■ Wednesday 7 p.m. Gospel Mid-week Service Daniel Circle Chapel

PROTESTANT BIBLE STUDY

■ Monday 7 p.m. Women's Bible Study (PWOC - Post Chapel, Class 209)
■ Wednesday 7 p.m. LDS Bible Study (Tank Hill Chapel)
7 p.m. Anderson Street Chapel
7 p.m. Daniel Circle Chapel
7 p.m. Gospel Congregation's Youth (Daniel Circle Chapel)
■ Thursday 9:30-11 a.m. Women's Bible Study (PWOC — Post Chapel)
6 p.m. Neighborhood CMF/OCF Bible Study (Call 790-4699)
■ Saturday 8 a.m. Men's Prayer Breakfast (Post Chapel, every second Saturday of the month in Chapel Fellowship Hall)

PROTESTANT YOUTH OF THE CHAPEL

■ Sunday 5 p.m. Daniel Circle Chapel (1st & 3rd Sundays)
■ Wednesday 6:30 p.m. Main Post Chapel

Lutheran/Episcopalian

■ Sunday 8 a.m. Memorial Chapel

Islamic

■ Friday 12:30-1:45 p.m. Jumah Services (Post Chapel, classrooms 213)
■ Sunday 8-10 a.m. Islamic Studies (Post Chapel, classrooms 213)

Church of Christ

■ Sunday 11:30 a.m. Anderson Chapel

Catholic

■ M/W/F 11:30 a.m. Mass (Post Chapel)
■ Sunday 8 a.m. Mass (Solomon center)
11 a.m. Mass (Main Post Chapel)
10:15 a.m. CCD (Education Center)
10:30 a.m. Adult Inquiry
11:30 a.m. Catholic Youth Ministry
■ Wednesday 7 p.m. Rosary
7:30 p.m. RCIA/Adult Inquiry

Jewish

■ Sunday 9:30-10:30 a.m. Memorial Chapel
10:30-11:30 a.m. Jewish Book Study (Post Conference Room)

Latter Day Saints

■ Sunday 9-11:30 a.m. Anderson St. Chapel

Addresses, phone numbers

Daniel Circle Chapel — 3359 Daniel Circle, Corner of Jackson Blvd., 751-4216
Main Post Chapel — 4580 Strom Thurmond Blvd., corner of Scales Ave., 751-6469
Tank Hill Chapel — 9476 Kemper St., 751-5037
Family Life Center — 9476 Kemper St., (inside of Tank Hill Chapel), 751-4542 or 751-6469
Anderson St. Chapel — 2335 Anderson St., Corner of Jackson Blvd., 751-7032
Ed. Center — 4581 Scales Ave.
Vanguard Chapel — 4360 Magruder Ave., 751-3883
120th Rec. Bn. — 1895 Washington St., 751-5086
Memorial Chapel — 4470 Jackson Blvd., 751-7324

Our deliverance may not come in our generation, but sometimes in our children's generation. Our mission is to choose to trust in God, remain faithful to him, and endure hardness as good Soldiers. We can be at peace in the midst of our storms for we know, deliverance will come.

FORCE PROTECTION THOUGHT OF THE WEEK GOOD OPSEC IS UNPREDICTABLE

• DO NOT DISCUSS OPERATIONAL INFORMATION WITH ANYONE WITHOUT ACCESS OR "NEED TO KNOW"

- DETAILED TRAVEL PLANS
- CURRENT FORCE PROTECTION MEASURES
- CURRENT OPERATIONS AND PLANS FOR FUTURE OPERATIONS
- CHANGES TO UNIT, SHIP AND AIRCRAFT DISPOSITIONS

• LET'S NOT MAKE OUR ADVERSARIES' COLLECTION EFFORTS EASIER BY DISCUSSING CRITICAL INFORMATION IN A PUBLIC FORUM

Remember child victims during COA Week

Sandra Barnes

Army Substance Abuse Program

Childhood can, and should, be a time of wonder and discovery; when parents nurture, protect and care for the precious gifts of life they have brought into the world. But for children of alcoholic parents, life often is filled with shame, suffering and fear.

These children may find themselves trapped by the same disease that affected their parents and grandparents unless there is outside intervention from caring adults in their lives.

An estimated one in four U.S. children is exposed to a family alcohol problem, and countless others are affected by familial drug abuse. These young people are at increased risk of a range of problems, including physical illness, emotional disturbances, behavior problems, lower educational performance and susceptibility to alcoholism or other addiction later in life.

This is why the National Association for Children of Alcoholics and its affiliates promote Children of Alcoholics Week from Sunday through Saturday. The theme of this public awareness campaign, “A Celebration of Hope and Healing,” offers the potential for resilience in children of alcoholics if caring adults support the well being of all children, but especially those who struggle with alcohol or drug addiction in their families. NACoA envisions a society in which these vulnerable children are encouraged to seek help and have access to adults who can help them. By honoring COA Week, we can all make a difference in the lives of children in need.

Often, the people hurt most by alcohol abuse and alcoholism don’t drink: they are the children of alcoholic parents. These children are more likely to experience mental and physical problems and are at a greater risk of being neglected and/or abused. Children of alcoholics are two to four times more likely than other children to become addicted to alcohol themselves. Every community experiences the devastating effects of alcoholism on



ASAP Calendar of Events

National Children of Alcoholics Week will be acknowledged Sunday through Saturday.

Alcohol and Drug Abuse Prevention and Training Program is a two-day class for those interested in learning more about alcohol and drug abuse, and will be held from 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday and Tuesday at 3250 Sumter Ave. It is also for those who the command feels could benefit from re-education.

Unit Prevention Leader training will be held from 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Feb. 21-23 at 3250 Sumter Ave. It is required training for newly assigned unit prevention leaders and includes training on drugs and alcohol, biochemical testing and substance abuse prevention. Seating is limited, and the duty uniform is required. Please do not schedule appointments during class time.

The Fort Jackson ASAP *Unit Prevention*

Leader of the Year Award is designed to recognize outstanding performance by the best Unit Prevention Leader on Fort Jackson.

UPLs must qualify for the award by conducting a flawless urinalysis collection, passing urinalysis inspection, having a Standard Operating Procedure and providing four hours required annual training to Soldiers in their unit.

Editor’s Note: *The Army Substance Abuse Program provides prevention/education to the community on topics pertaining to alcohol and other drug usage. ASAP maintains a wide selection of pamphlets and videos that can be used to get a further understanding of the dynamics of substance abuse and use. ASAP staff is available to give presentations on alcohol and drug abuse. For questions about classes offered or about substance abuse, call 751-5007.*

children. Together, we can break the cycle of alcohol problems in families.

To help a child of an alcoholic, one must take that first step — show care for a child with an alcoholic parent. Since research shows that one in four children lives in a family with alcoholism or alcohol abuse, many adults will not have to look far to find a child to help.

According to the National Association for Children of Alcoholics, the life skills that COAs need often are learned outside the family and can be gained through education support groups and healthy relationships with others, especially adults who show they care about the children.

The Facts

- More than 6 million children live with at least one parent who abuses or is dependent on alcohol or an illicit drug.
- Alcoholism tends to run in families. Children of alcoholics are four times more likely than non-COAs to develop alcoholism or drug problems.
- Although they are at increased risk, many COAs do not develop alcohol or drug use disorders or other seri-

ous problems in their lives.

- Families with alcoholism often lack structure and discipline for their children; as a result, the children often are expected to take on responsibilities normally assigned to older youths or adults.

- Children of alcoholics can be helped, whether or not the alcohol-abusing family members are receiving help.

- Simple acts of kindness and compassion can make a difference for children of alcoholics.

The National Association for Children of Alcoholics offers the “Seven Cs” — words of encouragement — for children of alcoholics:

I didn’t **Cause** it. I can’t **Cure** it. I can’t **Control** it. I can **Care** for myself by **Communicating** my feelings. Making healthy **Choices**, and by **Celebrating** myself.

Let’s keep children safe and happy and give them all the opportunities to become emotionally and educationally successful adults.

Editor’s Note: *For more information on the NACoA, go to their Web site at <http://www.nacoa.org>. If you have any questions about substance abuse, call the Army Substance Abuse Program at 751-5007.*

Be cautious of online dating services

Capt. David Jones

Legal Assistance Attorney

Americans spent more than \$13 billion for Valentine's Day last year. That number will likely be matched, if not exceeded, this year.

But Feb. 14 is not the only day Americans spend money on their quest for love. Annually, Americans spend more than \$450 million on online dating services and personal advertisement Web sites. Before spending hard earned dollars, users may want to consider some of the problems associated with these services.

The typical online dating service requires people to post a user "profile" (i.e. list of the person's gender, age, religion, likes/dislikes, etc.), and then allows that person to look for other user profiles using search criteria.

The majority of services allow users to upload personal photos and look at photos of the other users. Some of the more technologically advanced services allow for Web casts, online chat and message boards between registered users.

The most common complaint with online dating services has to do with the reliability of the information contained in users' profiles. Many people simply lie

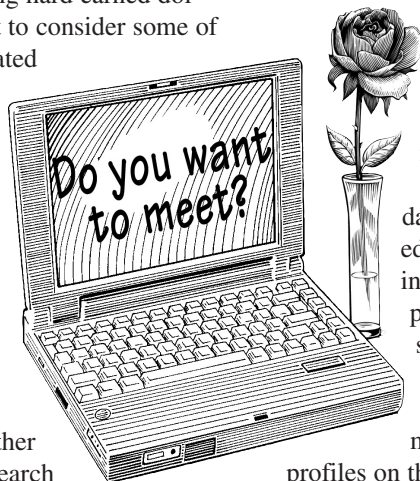
about themselves. For example, women tend to lie about things that they think would be attractive to men (e.g. weight, age, body type, etc.), and men tend to lie about things that they think would be attractive to women (e.g. income, height, etc.).

Users have tried to sue online dating services for false statements made by other users. These lawsuits have been unsuccessful, in large part due to the

Communications Decency Act of 1996. Under the CDA, online dating services cannot be held liable for the false statements by their users.

The problems with online dating services are not limited to users' false statements in their profiles. Many of the problems with online dating services have to do with how users' profiles are managed. For example, many services will keep

profiles on their Web site for months or even years, giving users the impression that there are more available "matches" out there than there really are. Other services have been accused of "date bait" — sending fake e-mails (allegedly from a "match") to paying customers to keep them from cancelling their account. A class-action lawsuit was filed last year against one service alleging the company created numerous fake profiles of people to make their Web site more attractive.



Despite the claims that online dating services are actively defrauding users, efforts to regulate the industry have been limited.

In 2005, Congress enacted the Mail-Order Bride Business Act, which requires international marriage brokers to obtain criminal and other background information from all of their members, and disclose the information on their Web site, translated into appropriate foreign languages. While the act regulates online marriage brokers, it does nothing to regulate online dating.

States have also been slow to regulate online dating services. Currently, only seven states have laws or have introduced legislation that regulates online dating services: New York, California, Florida, Michigan, Ohio, Virginia and Texas.

Another problem with online dating services is their billing of users. Many sites allow for "free" or low-priced trial memberships. Once the trial membership ends, the user is automatically charged monthly fees despite whether or not they actually use the service. Many services will limit the user's access to other profiles until they sign up for a more expensive subscription.

Despite the problems associated with online dating services, many Americans have found them to be an effective way to socialize, but users of these services should be cautious. When creating your profile, never give out personal contact information. If subscribing to a paid service, make sure you know all the terms of

Legal Assistance Office

Fort Jackson's Legal Assistance Office is located at 4555 Scales Ave. temporarily while construction occurs at the 9475 Kershaw Rd. location. Construction is expected to last for several months, and the office will be open during regular duty hours, which are from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Thursday. Appointments can be made by calling 751-4287.

The office accepts walk-ins for living wills, health care powers of attorney and durable powers of attorney, 1:30-3:30 p.m., Tuesdays and Thursdays.

Walk-ins are welcome for general legal questions and are accepted 1:30-4 p.m., Wednesdays.

the contract before giving out your credit card number. If you find another user that you want to meet, make sure it's in a safe atmosphere. And last, do not assume that someone you meet on the Internet is who they say they are, or that their messages to you are truthful. Maybe they love you ... maybe they love you not.

If you have any questions about these services or any other legal issues, call the Fort Jackson Legal Assistance Office at 751-4287 to set up an appointment with an attorney.

NiteFlyte cruises to 65-45 win

Heath Hamacher
Leader Staff

In recreational league basketball action Feb. 1 at Vanguard Gym, NiteFlyte jumped out to a 13-0 lead and cruised to a 65-45 victory over the McEntire Air National Guard squad.

With the win, NiteFlyte moved its overall record to 5-1 and remained in second place in the Tuesday/Thursday league. MCANG slipped to 1-4, 0-3 in league play.

Tony Smith led NiteFlyte in scoring with 20 points, including six buckets from behind the 3-point arc. Kenny Fields finished the night with 18 points and Twon Jones chipped in 8.

That's not too shabby for a team that, according to player/coach Anthony Jackson, never has time to practice as a unit.

"Everyone on the team works and all, so I just tell them when and where to show up, and we play the game," Jackson said. "We've played together around post before, though — pickup games and stuff. So, that's how they kind of know where each other will be on the court."

That chemistry was evident early as Jones lobbed a picture-perfect alley-oop to Fields, who finished the play off with an authoritative dunk.

Things started off badly for MCANG, which couldn't seem to catch a break or get a roll for the better part of the first half. Outside jumpers clanged off the rim and layups rolled harmlessly around it. The guardsmen were held scoreless for the first 9:30 of the game, before a Rick Moyer fade-away jumper lit up their side of the scoreboard for the first time. They trailed by as many as 16 before David Lupson knocked down back-to-back 3-pointers, closing the gap to 26-15. MCANG went into the half trailing by 10, and that's as close as this one would get.

In the second half, Smith's perimeter shooting and Fields' inside game and hustle proved too much for the guardsmen to handle.

"We really have a good inside-outside game," Jackson said. "Tony is our main outside guy and he was doing it for us Thursday. Our rebounding is good, and our guys were hungry — they really want to win."

For MCANG, Shamlah Jenkins led the team in scoring with 18 points, followed by Lupson with 14.

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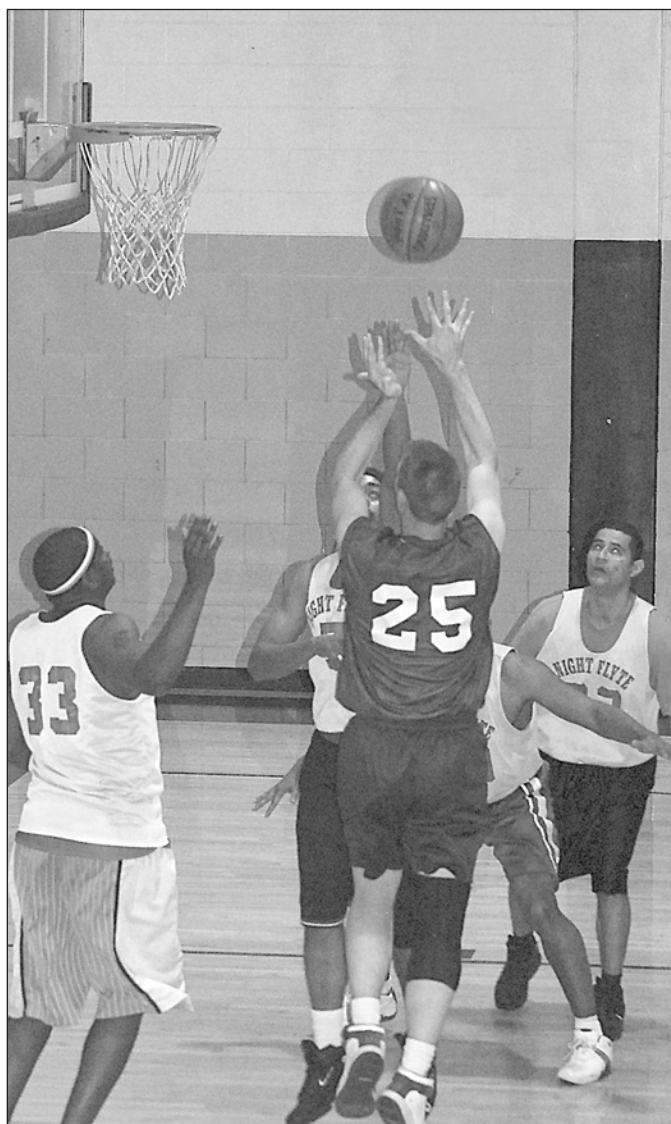


Photo by Heath Hamacher

Swarmed by NiteFlyte defenders, McEntire Air National Guard player Arthur Thomas puts up a shot in winter basketball recreational league action Feb. 1 at Vanguard Gym. NiteFlyte won the game, 65-45, moving its season record to 5-1.

Sports Briefs

Leagues in Full Swing

Winter intramural and recreational basketball and the dart league are in full swing. Basketball games are held from 6 to 9 p.m., Monday through Thursday at both Coleman and Vanguard gyms. Dart competitions are held at 5:30 p.m., Thursday at Magruder's Sports Pub and Grille.

Youth Spring Track Registration

Registration for youth ages 8-14 spring track begins Monday and runs through March 14. The fee is \$40 and the child's birth certificate and a current physical are required. The season runs from March 14 to May 31, and practice will be held two days a week (times have not yet been determined). Players must be registered with Child and Youth Services. For more information call 751-5610/5040.

Swim Meet

A swim meet will be held at 6 p.m., Feb. 22 at Knight Pool. Swim meet participants with their events are due to the Sports Office by Tuesday. The event is open to active-duty permanent party only. Each Soldier can participate in two events and a relay and each battalion may have up to 20 swimmers.

Volleyball

Letters of intent for intramural and recreational volleyball are due to the Sports Office by March 7.

Bench Press

The bench press competition will be held March 31 at the MG Robert B. Solomon Center. Weigh-ins will be held from 6 to 8 p.m., March 29 and 30. Each battalion may have up to 20 Soldiers participating. Call the Sports Office at 751-3096 for more information.

Strongman Competition

The Fort Jackson Strongman Competition is coming. Each battalion may have up to five Soldiers participating. If interested, call the Sports Office at 751-3096.

2007 Darts Intramural and Recreational Standings**

<u>League 1</u>	<u>Total Points</u>	<u>League 2</u>	<u>Total Points</u>
1-34	7	Meddac	7
120th	5	120th	6
RRS-1	5	DSS	5
3-13	5	VSB	4
3-60	2	NCOA	4
187th	1	MWR	2
2-39	0	RRS-2	2

** As of Feb. 1

C L A S S I F I E D S

100 Announcements

Single male looking for room to rent, Columbia area. Non-smoker, no kids/pets. Would consider roommate. Willing to work for you on weekends to offset rent (heavy labor, carpentry, landscaping, mechanical). I'll also entertain house sitting or security arrangements. Email bambamrubble_9@yahoo.com

VFW Post 641, 534 S. Beltline Blvd., Columbia, is having a Valentine Sweetheart Dance Wednesday, February 14, 7:00 p.m. Prime Rib Dinner, a Rose for all ladies. All veterans and their families always welcome. Call early. Seating is limited. 803-782-5943.

VFW Post 641, 534 S. Beltline Blvd., Columbia, is having a Karaoke Friendship Dinner on Saturday, February 24th. Dinner at 7:00p.m., Karaoke at 8:00p.m.-until. Come out and celebrate all February Birthdays. All veterans, their families and friends always welcome. 803-782-5943.

101 Child Care

Family Daycare: Warm and Loving Home, Meals Provided, 1 year and up, days and nights. DSS Registered. Located in Southeast Columbia. For more info call Velma's, 803-776-3202.

Guardians of Angels Learning Center, 1736 Decker Blvd. has openings for infants thru five years. Military Discounts for new parents in February. Mention ad. Call 790-4567.

102 Lost & Found

****REWARD**** for information or the return of a radio lost on Ft. Jackson: **MOTOROLA XTS 5000R**. Please contact with any information, 803-760-0311.

108 Roommate Wanted

Room for rent, furnished, Ft. Jackson area, \$425 + deposit, utilities included. Call Pat, 776-1419.

200 Help Wanted

Data Entry Positions for popular military website. Excellent pay. Military spouses encouraged to apply. Computer experience required. Call toll free 877-898-1556.

200 Help Wanted

First Sun EAP Columbia is seeking dedicated, reliable, mature, entry-level Intake Specialist, "extra-mile" customer service orientation. Strong listening talents, typing, data-entry skills. Long-term commitment to a small, team-oriented business. Spanish skills a plus. Fax resumes to: Dr. John Arnold, 803-799-3772

Military project is seeking a P/T MARKETING ASSISTANT to help with marketing/promotions at Fort Jackson. Must have a high school diploma, computer skills, and be enthusiastic. Military experience a plus, but not required. Hourly rate plus opportunity for bonuses. For more information contact Julie at (800)979-5409, ext. 248.

300 Services

I can buy or lease your house today. Call for details. 803-463-2043.

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500 Pets

14 Beautiful Pitt Bull Puppies, 7 weeks old, born Dec. 8, 2006. 3 females and 11 males, brindle, and all have unique markings. They have had their first shots and dewormer. \$200/females and \$150/males. Call 803-261-9950.

18 month old Orange Purebred Male Pomeranian. Shots up to date. Very active and loves kids. Includes play pen, travel carrier, 1 week of food, leash and collar, etc. \$300. Please call 803-790-9290, leave message.

A Great Addition to Any Family with a Lot of Love to Offer: Big Baby, 10 lbs. 2 oz. Shitzu, 2 years old, housebroken. Great with kids, loves to be loved. Call 803-788-0597 or 404-421-5342.

Chow Puppies for sale, \$30 each. Three females and three males. Two tan, three black and one multi-colored. Very adorable. Ready to go in two weeks. Call 803-243-2436 before they are all gone.

Female Miniature Pincher for sale to GOOD HOME only. Weight: 9 lbs., very cute, active, loves attention, 1 yr. old. She is great with children. She has her shots and is spayed. Ready on 29 Jan. Call India at 467-9046.

Free Puppy: Rex, 5 1/2 mo. old Beagle Puppy needs a home. Not a cat lover, but loves kids and other dogs. House and kennel trained. Shots up to date. For more information call Eric, 804-481-5318.

500 Pets

Free to a Good Home: 2 AKC Registered Bassett Hounds, 6 yrs. old, 1 male, 1 female, up-to-date on all shots and both have been neutered. Good with kids. House trained. Must Go Together. For info please call 505-610-4414.

Free to GOOD HOME: Black female cat named Lola. She is very friendly and likes to cuddle. She has all her shots and is spayed. I'm moving so need a good home for her. Call India at 467-9046 if interested.

Free to Good Home: Male and female chocolate Doberman Pinchers, 4 years old, all shots and neutered. Call 803-799-3365.

Pet for Sale: Tibetan Spaniel, house broken toy dog, 1 year old puppy. Will provide cage, collar and leash, toys and 1 bag of dog food. Good with kids. Ready to go to Loving Home. Please call 803-318-4883.

Siberian Husky Puppies and also have white German Shepherd/Husky puppies. Black and white, gray and white, silver and white and all white. All have blue eyes. I have all the parents on site. Call Jessica, 348-6850.

UKC Blue American Pit Bull Terrier puppies. Gaff and Razor's Edge bloodlines, Championship Dogs. Now taking deposits. Call 912-660-7367.

www.cowartclankennels.com

Valentine Puppy! Maltese Male, born 12-23-06. Sire and dam on site, AKC, 8 weeks old on 2/17. Shots, paper trained, \$700. Call 803-477-8752 or 803-865-6075.

600 Appliances

2003 Frigidaire 26.4 cu.ft. side-by-side Refrigerator with ice and water dispenser in door. An ideal garage fridge. Cost \$895. Selling for \$275 OBO. Call 481-8810.

Maytag free standing portable dishwasher, excellent condition, \$100. GE 30" white electric self-cleaning stove with black ceramic top, excellent condition, \$100. Call 803-799-3365.

Washer and Dryer (Whirlpool), 1 year old. Selling both for \$400. Very Good Condition. Call India at 467-9046 between 9 a.m.-5 p.m.

601 Electronics

19 inch Sanyo Color TV, \$30. Call 735-3678.

XBox 360 with 2 controllers and Madden 2007, barely used, \$350 Cash OBO. Contact Eric, 803-586-8176 anytime. Single Soldier Complex.

601 Electronics

BACK UP POWER SUPPLY: 400 watt. Large (32Lbs.), powerful. Will keep electronic equipment on-line up to 8 hours during power outage. Connected to wall plug, 5 devices can be plugged in. Originally \$200. New, still in box, \$100. Norm, 803-776-3689.

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Must Sell due to job move: New, in box, unused Canon color photo printer, \$40 OBO. Please call 419-9468 anytime.

PCSing, must sell: Numark Control Amp, Denon Turntable, Bose 901 speakers with stands, Yamaha audio timer, control amplifier, Sansui double cassette, graphic equalizer, Yamaha tuner and power amplifier, Entertainment Center. Must see to appreciate. Call Willie at 695-9135 or 518-1484

Two 10 inch MTX Audio car speakers in box, \$150. Will include Rockford Fosgate Punch 60.2 amp for free. Call 803-665-6353. Email mindermaureen@yahoo.com for info and pics.

602 Furniture

4 piece Living Room Tables with carved details on legs, over sized, dark cherry wood. 2 end tables, sofa table and cocktail table. Asking \$275, paid \$550. Call 803-462-1074 after 3:30 p.m., mon.-fri.

Bedroom Set made by Crescent: includes dark cherry dresser with mirror, 2 nightstands, pencil post queen bed frame with headboard and footboard and matching armoire. Asking \$1500 for the set. Cash only, please, 803-479-4413.

BEDS, Pillow top mattress sets, new, still in plastic. Sale, King size \$350, queen size \$250. Can Deliver. Call 803-447-3037

Cherry Dining Room Table with 6 chairs and leaf insert, lighted china cabinet and hutch. Paid \$2400, will sell for \$800. Call (336) 253-9761.

Honey Crib with mattress, converts to toddler bed, double bed, \$100. 803-905-9702.

602 Furniture

Couch, 82" long, multi-color green, excellent condition. Chair, 40" wide, matches couch, excellent condition. Asking \$300 for the set. Cash only please. Phone 803-479-4413.

European Coffee Table, 54"Lx30"W with two 8" pull-out extensions, tile top. \$200 Firm.Serious inquiries. Cash Only. 788-4424, leave message.

Four-in-one Sleigh Baby Crib and Matching Dresser, light color, excellent condition, asking \$125 for both. Large Sofa and Loveseat, good condition, asking \$300 for both OBO. Entertainment Center, Sauder, asking \$50. Call 790-7276.

Large round Rattan Chair with ottoman. Both have cushions with no stains, very good condition. Bought from Pier I for \$150, selling for \$60. Can email picture. 803-582-9314.

MOVING SALE: Round wood kitchen table with four chairs. Matching sofa, loveseat, chair and ottoman set. Six drawer dresser with mirror and bureau with two drawers, good condition. FREE. Must move it yourself. Call 803-740-2826.

Must Sell due to job move: Daybed with pop-up trundle, white metal, new pillowtop mattress, excellent condition, \$225 OBO. Custom reversible daybed set, including bedskirt and 3 shams, separately \$125 or can be "bundled" with daybed for \$290. Call 419-9468

Must Sell: Rocker-recliner (deep teal fabric), \$85 OBO. extra-large fabric rocker-recliner, excellent condition, \$165 OBO. Sofa, off-white tone-on-tone fabric with matching pillows, excellent condition, \$425 OBO. Farmer-style table, approx. 3'x5', solid hardwood with drawer and 6 chairs, \$300 OBO. 419-9468. Oak Dining Room Table with 4 chairs and 2 arm chairs with leaf insert, only 2 years old, \$500 OBO. Sofa and Loveseat combo for sale, good condition, \$200 OBO. Call 803-419-8187.

POOL TABLE: Amazing! Gorgeous! High End 100% Solid Wood. 1" slate, brand new, never used. Cost \$5000, selling for \$1700. Can Deliver. 803-447-3037.

Twin brass headboard, footboard, mattress and box spring. Slept on for less than 2 years, excellent condition. Asking \$150. Call 774-286-9673.

603 Miscellaneous for Sale

Baby Grand Piano, \$2500 or best offer. Call 864-993-6743.

603 Miscellaneous for Sale

36" Porcelain Indian male doll with bow and arrow and stand, \$100. Also 36" Porcelain Indian female doll with long braided hair and stand, \$100. 803-736-0064.

A set of 23" Giovanna Rims with tires: Nittont 404-305/40/23 115v, asking \$1800 OBO. Please call 546-8515.

Attention Doll Collectors: I have an original Cabbage Patch Doll, still in box, dated on box (1984), with papers, \$55 cash. You should see how pretty she is! 803-736-0064.

Beautiful 16" Princess Diana Doll in white beaded gown w/crown, \$50. Beautiful Shirley Temple Porcelain Doll, collectible from Danbury Mint, part of a collection, signed, \$150, worth more. Must See! 803-736-0064.

Brand New Truck Tires! Winston Winner, LT 285/75/R16, \$450 OBO. 17" D'mazio Chrome Rims, great condition, \$300 OBO. Please call 336-253-9761

Burial Plot and Vault at Greenlawn Memorial Park for sale. Call 803-647-7012.

Carhartt Men's Clothing: Jackets, pants, vest, etc. Size medium jackets, pants 32 x 32 and 34 x 32. New, various prices. Lee jeans, men's, 34 x 32, new, \$8 each. Call 803-799-3365.

Costume Jewelry from Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic. New Jade-like long earrings, gold trim, pierced, medium pearl, white, earrings, clip-on (5), gold large bangles, all for \$10. Call 776-9549

Crib Bedding Set: Koala Baby 7 pc. matching bedding set. Comes w/comforter, fitted sheet, crib bumper, dust ruffle, diaper holder, window valance, wind-up mobile. Bright & colorful whimsical animal pattern. Everything in great condition, \$70 OBO. Can email picture. 803-582-9314

Electric Wheelchair, excellent condition, works good, accessories included, \$550. Call 788-4109

For Sale: Brand new heavy-duty rubber bed mat, custom molded for 05-06 Toyota Tacoma standard/access cab from Performance Products. Exclusive self-draining rib design keeps cargo from shifting while protecting your bed from scratches and dings. Call 803-419-8856 or 803-467-1176.

Garage Clearance: 1" Slate Top Pool Table, \$200 OBO. Antique German Piano, \$200 OBO. Call 803-234-6254.

High Chair, Fisher Price foldable and adjustable height/angle with one hand removable tray. Comes with seat pad. Very good condition, \$35. Can email pictures. 803-582-9314.

603 Miscellaneous for Sale

GE Washer and Dryer, white, very good condition, both for \$250 or may sell separately. Phillips/Magnavox 60" rear projection TV, excellent condition, \$750. Beige and brown recliner couch, excellent condition, \$250. Call Dave or Dawn, 788-0289 nights.

Graco Stroller/infant seat combo. Base stays in car, seat comes out and sits on stroller. Easy one-hand operation, neutral gray/black, good condition, no stains. Bought from Babies R Us for \$200, selling for \$100 OBO. Can email pics. 803-582-9314.

I have many German Romance Books for sale, like new. \$1.00-\$1.50 each. Call 803-738-9432.

Igloo Marine Cooler, 128 qt. This is the largest cooler you have ever seen. Includes four very large thermal packs, \$85. 803-799-3365.

Murray Lawn Mower 6.5HP, self-propelled, 20" cut, rear bagger, works perfectly, \$150. 803-799-3365.

Must Sell: 32" Panasonic TV with remote, excellent condition, \$125. Exercycle, \$30 OBO. Tabletop fountains (2), \$20/each and 1 larger, new, in box, \$30. Oak frame and fabric glider rocker, \$95 OBO. Call 419-9468.

NEED WHEELS? Four 18" rims off a 2005 F150 Pickup (6 lug), mounted with BF Goodrich all terrain P275/R18 tires. Rims are in excellent condition, tires have approx. 24,000 miles. Will sell all for \$850. Call Todd in Elgin, (304)612-1057.

New camel-back, \$15 and New car cover, \$10. If interested call Woody, 803-920-8723.

Nice Graco play pen with cover and mat, used very little, good condition, \$35 Cash. New, still in box, Cabbage Patch Doll, 1984 on box, with papers, a steal at \$45 Cash. Call 803-736-0064.

Noritake China Tahoe pattern, service for 8 with serving pieces, \$250. Nachtmann Crystal, service for 8 with ice bucket and wine decanter, total 50 pieces, \$250. Most pieces never used. Will sell china and crystal together for \$450. Call 803-754-9967.

One 5 piece place setting of Lenox Holiday China, brand new, still in original box, \$60. 2 Lenox Holiday China Dinner plates, brand new, \$15 each or both for \$25. Only serious inquiries, cash only. Call 788-4424.

Riding Lawn Tractor, 38" twin blade deck, 12 HP electric start Briggs engine, new tires and new battery. Runs and looks like new. New yard too small. Yours for \$500 OBO. Call 803-582-9314.

Sears Cargo Sport Roof Rack Carrier, 18 cu.ft., excellent condition, \$85. Call 803-738-0472

603 Miscellaneous for Sale

Super Bowl fish fry electric skillet, 12", Westinghouse, non-stick, with lid, \$10. 776-9549.

Weider Pro 4900 Weight System, Excellent Condition, A Must See! All guides, attachments and weights included. Willing to make arrangements for delivery if on Fort Jackson or close by. \$275. For more information call Eric at 804-481-5318.

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702 Houses for Rent

2BR, 1BA ROOMY House. Fireplace and eat-in kitchen. Fenced yard. Located by Columbia H.S. on dead end street. Easy access to interstate. Owner will consider lease to own. \$575/mo. Call Donna, Carolina Hot Property, 315-5014

3 Bedroom, 2 Bath Brick Home, Berkley Forest. LR, Den with fireplace, eat-in kitchen, 2 car garage, fenced backyard. Dogs OK with deposit. \$950 per month. Call 912-368-1820 or 912-610-0765. Available Feb. 07.

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4 Bedroom, 1 1/2 Bath House for rent or sale. 101 Gala Dr., Columbia, off Leesburg Rd. Please call 315-853-5785

4BR, 2BA, Forest Acres, less than 10 minutes from Fort Jackson's main gate. Hardwood floors, newly renovated kitchen, screened porch, new windows. 12x24 deck, large fenced-in backyard with storage/work building, plenty of trees. Pets welcome. \$1100/month. Laura Blackwelder, 803-917-8440, 410-286-7467.

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702 Houses for Rent

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Northeast Columbia: All Brick, 3BR, 2BA, 1 car garage, formal Dining Room, Living Room and Den on corner lot. Call Henry Glasgow at Chuck Ruff Realty, 252-9170 or (cell) 422-8783.

Owner Finance, Rent-to-Own in Forest Acres. 3 Bedrooms, 1 1/2 Baths, Large Living Room, Florida Room, Fenced Yard. Make this your home for \$850/month. Call 803-463-2043.

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901	Trucks for Sale
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1964 Chevy Step side pickup, blue, looks and runs great. Asking only \$3600. For more info call Albert at 243-1327.

1974 Chevrolet Truck, good condition, \$2500. 1970 Chevrolet Pickup Truck, custom, short bed, new rebuilt engine, interior reupholstered, new tires, new paint, \$5000. Call Andrew Johnson, 803-691-4161 or 803-606-5034.

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901	Trucks for Sale
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2001 Nissan Frontier XE, black/gray, 4 cyl., tonneau cover, bed liner and steps, AM/FM/CD receiver, power lock w/alarm system, automatic, AC, 113,000 miles. KBB price \$7220, asking \$6500 OBO. Call 803-466-0484.

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